



U.S. soldier arrested on charge of sharing bomb instructions

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal authorities said Monday they arrested an Army soldier who they accused of discussing with an FBI informant a possible bomb attack within the United States as well as the targeting of left-leaning activists and a media organization. Jarrett William Smith, a 24-year-old private first class infantry soldier from South Carolina stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas, was arrested Saturday and later charged with one count of sharing bomb-making instructions online.

During his first court appearance on Monday, the magistrate ordered that he remain in custody pending a detention hearing on Thursday.

His defense attorney, Thomas Bartee, did not immediately respond to a phone message seeking comment.

A criminal complaint alleges that Smith discussed his plan to kill far-left-leaning "antifa" activists and described how to build a



In this Feb. 9, 2015 file photo, an honor guard stands at the entrance before ribbon cutting ceremonies for the new 1st Infantry Division Headquarters at Fort Riley, Kan.

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bomb that could be triggered by calling a cell-phone.

They accuse him of post-

ing on Facebook that he was interested in traveling to Ukraine to fight with a paramilitary group known

as Azov Battalion. Court papers say Smith also suggested targeting a major news network with a car

bomb. The news network was not identified.

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In an online chat group, Smith allegedly discussed with a confidential source in August a plan to conduct an attack within the United States and said he was looking for more "radicals" like himself, the complaint alleges. He talked about destroying nearby cell towers or a local news station.

In an interview before his arrest, Smith told investigators he knows how to make improvised explosives devices and that he routinely provides instruction on building them. He stated he did this to cause "chaos." He said if chaos results in the death of people as a result of information he provided, it would not affect him, according to the complaint.

Lt. Col. Terry Kelley, with the 1st Infantry Division Public Affairs at Fort Riley, said in a statement that Smith has been assigned to Fort Riley since June 2019.

He previously served at Fort Bliss, Texas, from November 2017 to June 2019.

He entered the Army from

Conway, South Carolina, as an infantryman and completed training at Fort Benning, Georgia. He has not deployed.

In one exchange Friday with an FBI undercover agent on the encrypted messaging service Telegram, Smith discussed using various household chemicals and commonly available equipment to make a bomb.

"That's the best way to fight people," Smith is quoted in the complaint as writing. "Making AK-47s out of expensive parts is cool, but imagine of you will if you were going to Walmart instead of gun store to buy weapons."

During that same exchange, Smith allegedly sent the agent instructions for building a "Middle East style bomb" that if big enough could destroy U.S. military vehicles. An FBI bomb technician later determined the specific instructions could have constructed a viable device.

When the undercover agent asked Smith if there was anyone in Texas who would be a good fit for "fire,



In this Feb. 9 2015 file photo, vehicles park around a water tower at Fort Riley, Kan. Prosecutors say a U.S. Army soldier shared bomb-making instructions online and also discussed killing activists and bombing a news network.

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destruction and death," Smith reportedly replied, "Outside of Beto? I don't know enough people that would be relevant enough to cause a change if they died" — an apparent reference to former Texas Rep. Beto O'Rourke, who is running for the Democratic presidential nomination. O'Rourke's campaign spokeswoman Aleigha Cavalier said they are grateful to the FBI for their diligence in handling this case and for their work to keep the country safe in the face of domestic terror threats.

"We take any threat like this very seriously, and our team is in direct contact with the FBI regarding this case," Cavalier said. "This isn't about any one person or one campaign, and we won't let this scare us or cause us to back down in fighting for what's right.

If convicted of the charge, Smith could face up to 20 years in prison and a fine of

up to \$250,000, according to the U.S. attorney's office. Smith is the latest of a string of people charged with activity that federal authorities said could lead to domestic terrorism, including several current or former members of the military. In April, an Army combat veteran in Southern California was arrested after receiving what he thought was an improvised explosive device from an undercover law enforcement agent. Authorities say Mark Steven Domingo plotted to bomb a white supremacist rally that didn't take place but also discussed other attacks on Jews, churches and police.

Authorities in February arrested a Maryland man, Coast Guard Lt. Christopher Paul Hasson, on gun and drug charges, with prosecutors describing him as a domestic terrorist and white nationalist seeking to use "focused violence" to establish a "white home-

land." They also said he compiled a list of targets that included prominent Democratic politicians and media figures.

In 2015, authorities arrested John T. Booker Jr., a 20-year-old Topeka, Kansas, resident as he tried to arm what he thought was a bomb outside Fort Riley. Booker had expressed support for the terrorist group al-Qaida and said on Facebook that he wanted to die in a jihad.

He was sentenced to 30 years in prison after pleading guilty in federal court to attempting to use a weapon of mass destruction and attempting to destroy government property with an explosive.

The most notorious domestic terrorist in U.S. history, Timothy McVeigh, was stationed at Fort Riley for a time before he left the Army and eventually staged the Oklahoma City bombing that killed 168 people in 1995. □



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GM strike in 2nd week: Some progress but no end in sight

By TOM KRISHER

AP Auto Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The strike against General Motors by 49,000 United Auto Workers entered its second week Monday with progress reported in negotiations but no clear end in sight.

Bargainers met all week-end and returned to talks Monday morning as the strike entered its eighth day.

Talks continued even as GM accused picketers in Tennessee of blocking traffic, placing screws and nails on public roads, harassing motorists and damaging vehicles.

The company detailed its complaints before a local judge approved a temporary restraining order Sunday barring certain unruly behavior at the Spring Hill factory complex, which makes engines and SUVs. Court documents say about 100 nonunion salaried GM employees and contractors remain working at the plant so it can resume normal operations when the strike ends. GM is also shipping 1,000 finished vehicles ordered by customers via commercial haulers. The company says safety and security are the highest priority and a minority of picketers was unlawful.

Several protesters were arrested for blocking the roadway last Wednesday. UAW spokesman Brian Rothenberg says the union is committed to conducting strike-related activities safely and lawfully and is working with law enforcement as issues arise.

In the talks, a person briefed on them said bargainers are haggling about wages and profit sharing, new product for factories that GM wants to close, a faster route to full wages for

new hires, and use of temporary workers. The person didn't want to be identified because details of the bargaining are confidential.

Already the strike forced GM to shut down two Canadian factories that make engines, older-model pickup trucks and two car models. If the strike drags on much longer, GM likely will have to close more factories in Mexico and Canada because engines, transmissions and other components are built in the United States. Companies that supply parts to GM also will have to start cutting production.

Consumers this week will start to see fewer trucks, SUVs and cars on dealer lots.

Cox Automotive said that GM had stocked up before the strike with a 77-day supply of vehicles. But before the strike, the supply of larger SUVs such as the Chevrolet Tahoe already was below the industry average 61 days' worth of vehicles.

Workers also will feel pressure. They got their last GM paycheck last week and will have to start living on \$250 per week in strike pay starting this week.

The union wants a bigger share of GM's more than \$30 billion in profits during the past five years. But the company sees a global auto sales decline ahead and wants to bring its labor costs in line with U.S. plants owned by foreign automakers.

The top production worker wage is about \$30 per hour, and GM's total labor costs including benefits are about \$63 per hour compared with an average of \$50 at factories run by foreign-based automakers mainly in the South.

Issues that are snagging

the talks include the formula for profit sharing, which the union wants to improve. Currently workers get \$1,000 for every \$1 billion the company makes before taxes in North America. This year workers got checks for \$10,750 each, less than last year's \$11,500. Wages also are an issue with the company seeking to shift compensation more to lump sums that depend on earnings and workers wanting hourly increases that will be there if the economy goes south.

They're also bargaining over use of temporary workers and a path to make them full-time, as well as a faster track for getting newly hired workers to the top UAW wage.

GM has offered products in



In this Sept. 16, 2019 file photo, union members picket outside a General Motors facility in Langhorne, Pa.

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two of four locations where it wants to close factories. It's proposed an electric pickup truck for the Detroit-Hamtramck plant and a battery factory in the Lordstown, Ohio, area, where it is closing a small-car as-

sembly plant. The factory would be run by a joint venture, and although it would have UAW workers, GM is proposing they work for pay that's lower than the company pays at assembly plants. □

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At U.N., Trump focuses on religious freedom, not climate

By **JONATHAN LEMIRE and DEB RIECHMANN**
Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — President Donald Trump made his political priorities clear Monday within an hour of arriving at the United Nations for a three-day visit: He breezed by a major climate change summit to focus instead on religious persecution, an issue that resonates with his evangelical supporters.

The climate summit, a centerpiece of this year's U.N. schedule, was not on Trump's agenda at all. But he stopped in to observe for about 15 minutes before heading to what he saw as the main event, a meeting on protecting religious freedom.

Trump said it was an "urgent moral duty" for world leaders to stop crimes against faith, release prisoners of conscience and repeal laws restricting religious liberty.

"Approximately 80% of the world's population live in countries where religious liberty is threatened, restricted or even banned," Trump said, adding that when he first heard the statistic, he didn't believe it and asked for verification. Trump's speech Monday extends a long-running focus on international religious freedom that speaks to a key priority of his evangelical base. His administration has hosted annual meetings on the topic in

Washington, and Secretary of State Mike Pompeo announced during this year's event that he would create an international alliance

"We've done a lot."

As for the climate summit, he told reporters as he left: "I'm a big believer in clean air and clean water and

blamed it for last week's strike at an oil field in Saudi Arabia.

Asked as he arrived at the U.N. building if he will meet

easing of sanctions in exchange for Pyongyang's commitment to give up its nuclear weapons. He said only that it "could happen soon."

Trump's meetings with other leaders highlighted other hot spots around the globe. In his meeting with Pakistani Prime Minister Imran Khan, Trump was peppered with questions from Pakistani reporters about India's role in the crisis in Kashmir. Khan has invited Trump to mediate the long-running conflict between Pakistan and India over the disputed Himalayan region. India has not agreed to mediation, but Trump renewed his offer to play middleman between the two nuclear-armed nations.

With Polish President Andrzej Duda, Trump said more U.S. troops will be stationed in Poland as a result of a new defense cooperation agreement they signed. He said Poland asked the U.S. to station more troops there and will pay for the new facilities.

Singapore Prime Minister Lee Hsien-Loong and Trump signed a memorandum to update defense cooperation between the two nations.

With President Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi of Egypt, Trump talked about the recent attacks on Saudi Arabia's oil facilities, which the U.S. has blamed on Iran, and about Libya, which slid into chaos after a 2011 uprising that left the country split between rival authorities in the country's east and west.

His meeting with New Zealand Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern was closed, but the White House said their talks included a discussion of the March shooting deaths of 51 people at mosques in Christchurch. □



President Donald Trump speaks during a meeting with Polish President Andrzej Duda at the InterContinental Barclay hotel during the United Nations General Assembly, Monday, Sept. 23, 2019, in New York.

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dedicated to the issue.

Underscoring the importance of Trump's action on the issue to evangelical voters who are critical to his 2020 reelection bid, one prominent evangelical backer Dallas-based pastor Robert Jeffress lauded Trump for focusing on religious freedom instead of climate change.

"What president in history would have the guts to do what President Trump is doing?" Jeffress, who was set to be in the audience for Trump's speech, said on Fox News. "And it's this kind of leadership that is absolutely infuriating the president's enemies, but it's also energizing his base, especially his religious base of voters."

Trump listed his administration's efforts on religious freedom and declared,

all countries should get together and do that, and they should do it for themselves. Very, very important."

The Republican president arrived in New York against a backdrop of swirling international tensions, including questions about his relationship with Ukraine, the uncertain future of Brexit, the U.S. trade war with China, stalled nuclear negotiations with North Korea and a weakening global economy. The president scheduled meetings Monday with leaders of Pakistan, Poland, New Zealand, Singapore, Egypt and South Korea.

His most immediate challenge may be Iran. He will try to convince skeptical global capitals to help build a coalition to confront Tehran after the United States

soon with Iran President Hassan Rouhani, Trump was noncommittal: "We'll see what happens," he said. "We have a long way to go, we'll see what happens."

Trump's fulfillment of a campaign promise to exit the Iran nuclear deal has had wide ripple effects, leading Tehran to bolster its nuclear capabilities and dismaying European capitals who worked to establish the original agreement. Tensions between Washington and Tehran spiked after a Saudi Arabia oil field was partially destroyed in an attack that Secretary of State Mike Pompeo blamed on Iran and deemed "an act of war."

He also was noncommittal about a possible fourth meeting with North Korea's Kim Jong Un to discuss the



FAA chief seeks support for agency's review of Boeing jet

By DAVID KOENIG
AP Airlines Writer

The head of the Federal Aviation Administration is defending his agency's approval of a troubled Boeing plane while leaving open the possibility of changing how the agency certifies aircraft.

Stephen Dickson made the comments Monday in Montreal, where he and other top FAA officials briefed aviation regulators from around the world on the agency's review of changes that Boeing is making to the 737 Max. The FAA said a senior Boeing official also gave a technical briefing. Dickson, who was sworn in last month, said again that the FAA has no timetable for considering Boeing's changes to the Max. The grounding of the plane has increased scrutiny around the FAA's oversight of companies it regulates, Dickson said. He said FAA took the same thorough approach that has consistently produced safe planes.

But, he added, the process and regulations that FAA uses "are continuously evolving." He invited other regulators to make suggestions on FAA's review of the Max and its certification system. The plane has been grounded since March after the second of two accidents that killed 346 people in Indonesia and Ethiopia. Chicago-based Boeing is nearing completion of its changes to the plane, including an update to an automated flight-control system implicated in both crashes.

The FAA was the last regulator to ground the plane and is likely to be the first to let it fly again. However, the likelihood of a long gap between FAA action and approval by other regulators seems to be easing, which would be a victory for Dickson and the FAA.

Patrick Ky, head of the European Union Aviation Safety Agency, told a French aviation publication that a European decision could follow within a few days of an FAA approval and under

the same conditions. Just a few weeks ago, the European agency was suggesting that it might make demands on Boeing beyond what the company is planning, including requiring additional sensors, which could delay the plane's return in Europe.

The Wall Street Journal reported that in a draft report, Indonesian authorities investigating the Oct. 29 crash of a Lion Air Max off the coast of Java have homed in on design and oversight failures. The newspaper, citing anonymous sources, said investigators are also pointing out pilot errors and faulty maintenance as factors.

Boeing declined to com-

ment. In Montreal, Dickson said, "Accidents in complex systems rarely are the result of a single cause. Rather, they often happen due to a complex chain of events and interaction between man and machine." Safety improvements should cover aircraft design, production, maintenance and operation, he said.

Some of Dickson's comments were strikingly similar to language used by Boeing CEO Dennis Muilenburg in the weeks after the March 10 crash of an Ethiopian Airlines Max soon after takeoff from Addis Ababa. "As in most accidents, there are a chain of events that occurred," Muilenburg said in late April. "It's not



In this April 10, 2019, file photo a Boeing 737 MAX 8 airplane being built for Spain-based Air Europa rolls toward takeoff before a test flight at Boeing Field in Seattle.

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correct to attribute that to any single item."

Some critics viewed that as blaming pilots in two developing countries.

"Boeing's strategy may be, 'This wouldn't have happened in the United States or the Western world because the pilots are so well-trained,' and, 'Yeah, it may have been a problem with the aircraft, but it was also

bad pilots,'" said Brian Kabateck, a Los Angeles lawyer suing Boeing on behalf of families who lost relatives in the Lion Air crash.

Separately, a \$50 million fund for compensating families of people killed in crashes of Boeing 737 Max planes began taking claims Monday, with a deadline of Dec. 31 for families to submit applications. □



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U.S. universities see decline in students from China

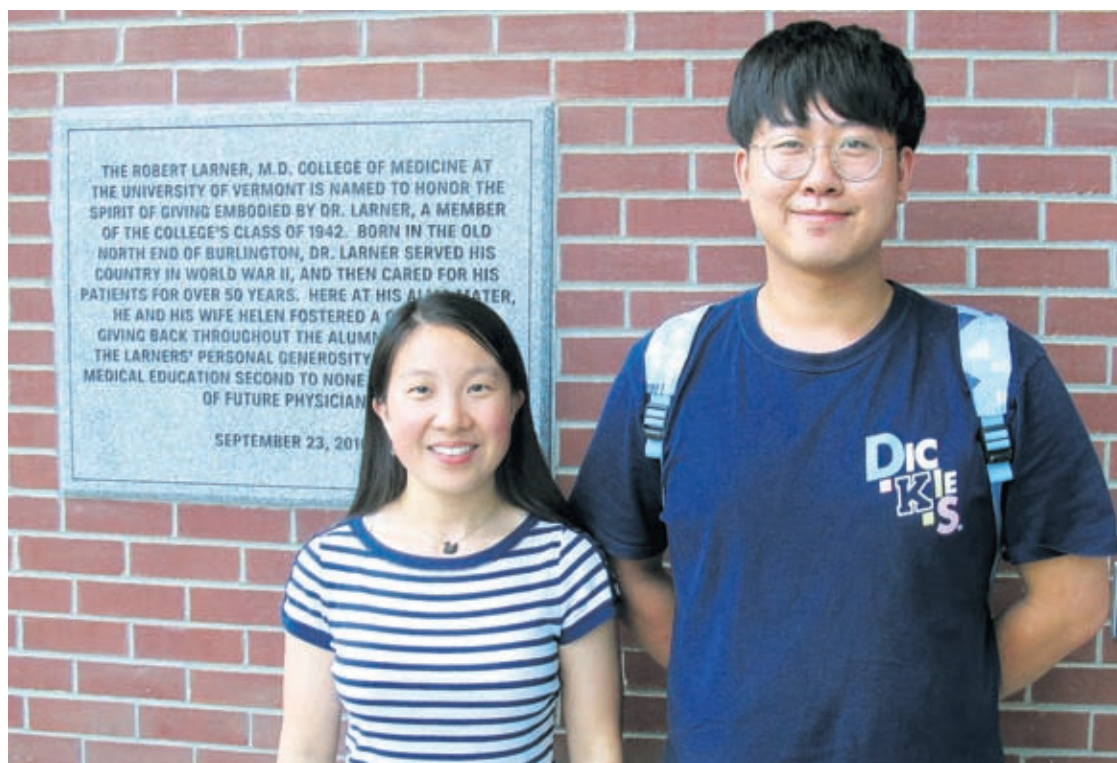
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BURLINGTON, Vt. (AP) —

After a decade of booming enrollment by students from China, American universities are starting to see steep declines as political tensions between the two countries cut into a major source of tuition revenue. Several universities have reported drops of one-fifth or more this fall in the number of new students from China. To adapt, some schools are stepping up recruiting in other parts of the world and working to hold on to their share of students from China.

University administrators and observers say trade conflicts and U.S. concerns about the security risks posed by visiting Chinese students appear to be accelerating a trend driven also by growing international competition, visa complications and the development of China's own higher education system. At Bentley University in Massachusetts, the number of new Chinese graduate stu-



In this photo Aug. 16, 2019, photo, Chinese graduate students Zhaojin Li, left, and Pengfei Liu, pose in front of the entrance to the Robert Larnar College of Medicine at the University of Vermont in Burlington, Vt.

dents arriving on campus dropped from 110 last fall to 70 this time. As a result, the school is reviewing the viability of some graduate programs that have been most affected by the decline. "I wouldn't describe it as catastrophically bad," President Alison Davis-Blake

said. "We've been very intentional about knowing that a drop-off was coming and really broadening our international and domestic footprint."

Significant drops also have been reported this fall at such schools as the University of Vermont, which saw

a 23% decline in Chinese student enrollment, and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, which had a 20% decrease.

China sends more students to study in the U.S. than any other country. Its 363,000 students represent one-third of all international students. But the numbers have leveled off in recent years, reflecting a trend among international students overall.

Prospective students and parents in China share concerns with those in other countries about American gun violence and tougher immigration enforcement. A report in May by the Association of International Educators found that the top two factors behind declining numbers of foreign students were the vagaries of the visa process and the social and political environment in the United States. But there are also unique pressures on Chinese students. The Trump administration has sounded the alarm about Chinese students stealing U.S. intellectual property, and it is more closely scrutinizing Chinese applications for visas to study in fields like robotics, aviation and high-tech manufacturing. In June, China warned students and other visitors to the U.S. about potential difficul-

ties in getting visas. Xiong Xiong, an electrical engineering student at Beijing Jiaotong University, said he hopes to pursue graduate-level studies in the U.S. But he is concerned about complications with the visa process and plans to apply also to schools in Britain.

Brad Farnsworth, vice president for global engagement at the American Council on Education, said his recent travels in China suggest that the accusations of economic espionage are taking a toll.

"The concern is a Chinese student just will not feel welcome in the United States and will be met with animosity and skepticism about why they are in the United States," he said.

Foreign students contribute an estimated \$39 billion to the U.S. economy. They are often sought after by universities, in part because many of them have the means to pay full sticker price for their education. Many Americans rely on financial aid.

So deep is concern about the financial effects of a decline in Chinese students that the colleges of engineering and business at the University of Illinois, which enrolls over 5,000 Chinese students, took out an insurance policy two years ago that will pay \$60 million if revenue from Chinese students drops 20% or more. Elsewhere, Lehigh University in Pennsylvania hired a recruiter this month to help bring in more students from India, and it also has been taking more interest in sub-Saharan Africa, according to Cheryl Matherly, vice president and vice provost for international affairs. Applications from China fell 6 percent this fall at the university, which counts about 650 Chinese among its 7,100 students.

"We're trying to get out ahead of this because at the end of the day, I think what we're seeing is that recruiting and how students are making decisions about where to go, it's a volatile space," Matherly said. "As institutions, you need to diversify." □



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Ex-Army medic pleads guilty in Hawaii love triangle murder

By J. SINCO KELLEHER
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HONOLULU (AP) — A former Army medic stationed in Hawaii pleaded guilty Monday to the murder of his wife, about a week before a trial was about to begin in a case involving porn, sex charges and a love triangle. Michael Walker pleaded guilty to second-degree murder and said he arranged for the woman with whom he was having an affair to kill his wife while he was working in the emergency room at Tripler Army Medical Center in Honolulu so that he would have an alibi. In 2015, Ailsa Jackson pleaded guilty to murder, describing in court how she stabbed Catherine Walker and then waited a half-hour to make sure she was dead. After meeting

through an online dating site in September 2014, Michael Walker told Jackson he was married and that his "deepest desire" was to have his wife gone, but he couldn't divorce her, Assistant U.S. Attorney Tom Brady said. By gone, he meant, "I wanted her dead, ma'am," he told a judge Monday. Walker also had other affairs, including with men who paid him for sex, Brady said. Walker told one of the men he had sex with, but didn't receive money from, that his wife didn't know he was bisexual and was having affairs with men. Walker told Jackson he couldn't simply divorce his wife because of financial concerns and stood to receive \$400,000 in life insurance, Brady said. They plotted the killing in



This May 2, 2014, file photo shows the Tripler Army Medical Center in Honolulu, where Army medic Michael Walker was working when his wife was killed in their home in November 2014.

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emails, during in-person discussions and in text messages where they called each other "daddycakes" and "babygirl," according to Walker's plea agreement. On Nov. 14, 2014, they met in a military reservation's gym parking lot, where Jackson said she would kill Catherine Walker that night, Brady said, de-

scribing how the two came up with a text messaging code to let Jackson know whether she should enter the home through a window or use a key left in the gravel near the back door. If Michael Walker texted, "good," that would mean use the window and "bad" would mean the key. Walker texted "bad," Brady

said, and at about midnight Jackson walked to the Walkers' house at Aliamanu Military Reservation and found the key, Brady said. Jackson said in court she "went inside and grabbed a knife and went upstairs and stabbed her." Walker knew that Jackson was mentally ill and heard voices, Brady said. □

Suspect in shooting of Chicago officer, bike attack charged

CHICAGO (AP) — A former fast-food delivery worker suspected of shooting a Chicago police officer and of being the bicyclist who shot a woman in broad daylight downtown days earlier was charged Monday with five counts of attempted murder. Michael Blackman, 45, faces one count of attempted murder in the woman's shooting that happened Wednesday, one count for the Saturday morning shooting of the officer and three counts for shooting

at other officers later Saturday, police said at a news conference Monday. Investigators identified Blackman as a suspect in the woman's shooting after piecing together surveillance footage and after the Itasca Police Department, about 27 miles northwest of Chicago, identified Blackman as the man appearing in still photos that Chicago police released. The suburban department said he was wanted for burglary there. Authorities say Blackman

shot the officer in the leg and groin around 8:30 a.m. Saturday as police sought to arrest him, then fled. Officers eventually tracked him to a nearby railyard. Blackman was arrested after a shootout in which he was injured. Blackman, the officer and the woman are expected to recover. In his food delivery job, Blackman had confrontations with security in a building where the woman worked, and it's possible that was at least part



This undated photo provided by the Chicago Police Department on Saturday, Sept. 21, 2019 shows Michael Blackman.

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of his motive for shooting her, Deputy Chief Brendan Deenihan said Monday. "Security always had a problem with him at that building," Deenihan said. "He didn't have any confrontations with her." Blackman was well enough to talk at the hospital, but he wouldn't answer investigators' questions, Deenihan said. It wasn't immediately known if Blackman had a lawyer to comment on his behalf. □

5 EU nations reach temporary deal on rescued migrants

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VALLETTA, Malta (AP) — Five European Union nations agreed on Monday to a temporary arrangement for disembarkation and relocation of migrants rescued in the central Mediterranean from human traffickers' unseaworthy boats, with officials pushing for a wider deal involving more EU countries.

During talks in Malta, the interior ministers of France, Germany, Italy, Malta and Finland decided to share among their five countries migrants trying to cross from Libya — the deadliest migration route to Europe — who are pulled out of the sea by rescuers.

The deal will apply for the coming two weeks, until an Oct. 8 meeting of Eu-

ropean Union interior ministers, when participants in Monday's talks hope all or many more fellow EU countries will join the arrangement. For more than a year, humanitarian ships which rescued migrants at sea were blocked by Italy and Malta from docking or disembarking their passengers to those countries. The anti-migrant policies caused repeated forced weeks-long standoffs until other EU nations stepped forward with pledges to take at least some of the migrants.

It is "crucial that we move away from ship-by-ship arrangements," said Finland's minister, Maria Osihalo.

She added that the limited deal struck Monday aims to ensure that the rescue ships "find a safe harbor without delay, thus avoiding addi-

tional hardship for migrants, and ensuring swift relocation of asylum-seekers on a voluntary basis to other member states."

The Oct. 8 EU ministerial meeting in Luxembourg will give Spain and Greece the opportunity to seek solidarity over rescued migrants in the western and eastern Mediterranean respectively.

Italian Interior Minister Luciana Lamorgese said the exact percentages of rescued migrants each country would agree to take will ultimately depend on how many EU members eventually participate in the system.

But it appeared the five-nation accord would cover all boats rescuing migrants in the central Mediterranean, the route used by Libyan-based traffickers.

Sometimes Malta's or Italy's military vessels perform the rescues, and occasion-

The 182 men, women and children, including a newborn, aboard the humani-



French Interior Minister Christophe Castaner, Italian Interior Minister Luciana Lamorgese, EU commissioner for migration Dimitris Avramopoulos, Maltese Interior Minister Michael Farrugia, Finnish Interior Minister Maria Ohisalo and German Interior Minister Horst Seehofer give a joint press conference at Fort St. Angelo, in Birgu, Malta, Monday, Sept. 23, 2019.

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ally a fishing or cargo ship plucks survivors from the sea.

Current EU rules say refugees and other asylum-seekers must stay in the country where they arrive while their cases are processed, but most migrants hope to reach northern Europe to find jobs or rejoin family members who have successfully emigrated there.

In Italian Premier Giuseppe Conte's three-week old new coalition, Lamorgese replaced Matteo Salvini, whose right-wing League party has gained popularity at home with anti-migrant positions.

Contending that such rescues essentially facilitate traffickers, Salvini refused to let charity boats dock in Italy to let off migrants.

Many of the migrants are fleeing poverty and not eligible for asylum.

Italy, which saw hundreds of thousands of rescued migrants land on its shores in recent years before the crackdowns on humanitarian ships, has been stymied in repatriating most of those rejected for asylum. Meanwhile, migrants aboard the Ocean Viking jumped in joy and relief after hearing that they will be allowed to disembark at the port of Messina, Sicily, a week after rescue.

tarian ship run by SOS Mediterranean and Doctors Without Borders were expected to arrive by Tuesday.

"I'm so full of joy! I don't know what to say now. I'm so happy! ... No more back to Libya!" exclaimed Awudu Baluduzzi, 27, from Ghana.

Many migrant traffickers are based in largely lawless Libya. While awaiting a chance to sail to European shores aboard smugglers' unseaworthy dinghies and fishing boats, migrants are kept for months or years in detention centers where they risk being beaten, raped, mutilated or forced into practically slave labor, survivors and U.N. officials say.

Spanish Interior Minister Fernando Grande-Marlaska is lobbying for a broader agreement for all the arrivals by sea.

Spain and Greece took more migrants than any other EU nation last year. More than 16,500 arrivals by sea have been recorded by Spain so far in 2019, and 33,000 by Greece.

In Greece, the refugee camp at Moria on the Aegean Sea island of Lesbos began turning away new arrivals last week as the number of people at the site exceeded 12,000, four times its intended capacity. □



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UK's Labour Party backs leader; to stay neutral on Brexit

By **GREGORY KATZ**
Associated Press

LONDON (AP) — Britain's opposition Labour Party voted Monday in support of leader Jeremy Corbyn's bid to remain neutral on the question of whether Britain should proceed with plans to leave the European Union or change course. Despite deep splits between Corbyn and many party members on the key Brexit question, members at a party conference in Brighton backed his approach. Members voted down a plan that would have required the party to "campaign energetically" for a second referendum on Brexit and to argue that Britain should decide to remain part of the EU, not leave.

There was some confusion about the vote results, and some calls for a recount. The series of three votes leaves the party's position somewhat ambiguous, reflecting the fact that the



Jeremy Corbyn, Leader of Britain's opposition Labour Party listens on stage during the Labour Party Conference at the Brighton Centre in Brighton, England, Monday, Sept. 23, 2019.

membership in general prefers to stay in the EU while Corbyn and some in his inner circle prefer not to take a clear stance. If unchanged, it means that the party would not take an active "remain"

or "leave" position if there is another referendum on the question of EU membership, and would seek to remain neutral in a national election. Corbyn's focus is on winning a general election — expected within

months — and bringing his left-wing party to power. He and the party's divided National Executive Committee do not want Labour to spell out a "remain" or "leave" stance ahead of a general election, even

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though the divisive issue is by far the most prominent policy matter on the political horizon.

Their complicated scenario calls for the party to win an election, take power, negotiate a new deal with the EU, schedule a referendum on whether to endorse the new deal or remain in the EU, then hold a special party conference to determine the party's position on the matter. Corbyn is taking a cautious stance in part out of concerns that he could alienate Labour voters in districts that in the 2016 Brexit referendum voted to leave the EU. He has always been lukewarm about the benefits of staying in the EU and prefers in his speeches to focus instead on growing economic inequality, workers' rights and other social issues, including a shorter working week. He faces some opposition from party members determined to keep Britain in the EU. □

Macron urges French climate protesters to target Poland

By **SYLVIE CORBET**
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Associated Press

PARIS (AP) — French President Emmanuel Macron has annoyed Poland and irritated France's climate activists by urging them to move their protests from Paris to Poland, a European Union nation that is heavily dependent on coal. Poland, which relies on coal for some 80% of its energy, is treading cautiously on cutting coal. The country has a long tradition of coal mining, a major employer that offers tens

of thousands of jobs in the southern Silesia region. The plan is to eliminate coal by 2050. Poland also needs to develop more renewable energy sources. Polish Deputy Foreign Minister Szymon Szykowski said Monday that Macron "is aware" that his country was trying hard to reduce carbon emissions. He hoped that "in this area as well as in other areas, he will refrain from this kind of lecturing which, in his case, has become tiring." Later Monday at the United Nations, Macron defended



French President Emmanuel Macron addresses the Climate Action Summit in the United Nations General Assembly at U.N. headquarters, Monday, Sept. 23, 2019.

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his comments. "I'm not stigmatizing anyone. But I want to convince our Polish friends that it's good for them to move on this," he told a news conference. "Marching every Friday to say that the planet is burning, that's nice, but that is not the problem," Macron told reporters, adding people should "go protest in Poland! Help me move those I cannot push forward." Macron also suggested that activists do "big operations to clean rivers or Corsica beaches" instead of protesting. □

Israeli election rivals meet as deadlock still looms

By JOSEF FEDERMAN

Associated Press

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel's president summoned the leaders of the country's two largest political parties to his official residence late Monday, hoping to break a political deadlock that threatens to push the nation into months of limbo and potentially force a third election in less than a year.

Neither Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu nor his challenger, former military chief Benny Gantz, commented as President Reuven Rivlin brought them together for a photo at the beginning of the meeting. The two men looked tense and uncomfortable as Rivlin forced a smile.

Rivlin's office announced late Monday that he had left the room, and the two rivals were meeting on their own. He stressed to them that the public "came out and voted, and now it is your turn."

The Israeli president is responsible for choosing a candidate for prime minister after national elections. That task is usually a formality, given to the leader who has the best chance of forming a stable majority coalition in the 120-seat parliament.

But last week's election ended in deadlock, with neither Netanyahu, who has ruled the country for



Israeli President Reuven Rivlin speaks during a consultation meeting with members of the Likud party, in Jerusalem, Sunday, Sept. 22, 2019.

the past decade, nor Gantz able to put together a coalition with smaller allied political parties. That has greatly complicated Rivlin's task. A unity deal between the large parties is seen as perhaps the only way out of the impasse.

"People expect you to find a solution and to prevent further elections, even if it comes at a personal and even ideological cost. This is not the time to exclude people," Rivlin's office said he told the two leaders.

Rivlin has spent the past two days meeting with leaders of all of the parties elected to parliament.

Gantz's centrist Blue and White came in first, with 33 seats, trailed by Netanyahu's Likud, with 31. With smaller allied parties, a total of 55 lawmakers have thrown their support behind Netanyahu, and 54 in favor of Gantz, leaving both men short of the required 61-seat majority.

Avigdor Lieberman, leader of the ultranationalist Yisrael Beiteinu party, has emerged as the key power broker. Lieberman, who controls eight seats, has refused to endorse either candidate. He's demanded they join him in a broad, secular unity government.

Both Netanyahu and Gantz have expressed support for a unity deal between their parties. But there are deep, seemingly unbridgeable differences between them. Gantz has said he will not partner with Likud as long as Netanyahu is at the helm, citing the prime minister's legal problems. Israel's attorney general has recommended charging Netanyahu with a series of corruption-related charges and is expected to make a final decision following a hearing with the prime minister early next month.

Netanyahu, meanwhile, believes he should remain

at the helm of a unity government and has signed a deal with his smaller allies, including ultra-Orthodox parties, to negotiate as a "bloc."

Lieberman, a former ally of Netanyahu's, refuses to sit in a coalition with the ultra-Orthodox parties. In April, the Soviet-born politician refused to join Netanyahu's coalition following elections, triggered the Sept. 17 repeat vote. Lieberman objected to what he said was excessive influence by the religious parties, leaving Netanyahu without a majority and forcing him to call the new election.

Israeli media said no breakthroughs were expected at Monday's meeting.

Rivlin is expected by Wednesday to designate either Gantz or Netanyahu with the seemingly impossible task of trying to cobble together a government.

His choice will have up to six weeks to reach a deal with coalition partners. If he fails, Rivlin can choose another candidate for prime minister. If those efforts fail, the country could be forced into a third election. During Rivlin's consultations, most parties made their expected recommendations: Nationalist and religious parties lined up behind Netanyahu's Likud, while two more centrist parties sided with Gantz despite his military background. □

UN: Syria constitution committee set, will meet within weeks

By ALBERT AJI

JENNIFER PELTZ

Associated Press

DAMASCUS, Syria (AP) — A long-awaited Syrian constitutional committee is set to convene in the coming weeks, U.N. Secretary-General Antonio Guterres said Monday.

Guterres told reporters at U.N. headquarters that the Syrian government and opposition finalized an agreement to create the 150-member committee. It is tasked with drafting a new constitution for the civil-war-torn nation. The committee is seen as an



In this photo released by the Syrian official news agency SANA, the U.N.'s special envoy for Syria Geir Pedersen, left, meets with Syrian Foreign Minister Walid al-Moallem, in Damascus, Syria, Monday, Sept. 23, 2019.

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important step toward potentially ending the more

than eight-year-long conflict, which has killed over 400,000 people.

The constitutional committee has been planned since a Russian-hosted Syrian peace conference in January 2018, but it has taken nearly 20 months for the sides to agree on the membership — particularly on a list of experts, independents, tribal leaders and women to make up part of the group. The U.N. was authorized to put together the list but the choices faced objections, mainly from the Syrian government.

"The constitutional committee's launch and work must be accompanied by concrete actions to build trust and confidence," Guterres said in a statement. His announcement came after Syria's state news agency SANA reported earlier Monday that Foreign Minister Walid al-Moallem was meeting with U.N. special envoy Geir Pedersen in Damascus. Al-Moallem said the discussion focused on the committee's setup and guarantees that it be free "from any foreign intervention." □



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20 killed, 70 hurt in protests in Indonesia's Papua province

By NINIEK KARMINI
Associated Press

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP)

— At least 20 people were killed Monday, including three shot by police, in violent protests by hundreds of people sparked by rumors that a teacher insulted an indigenous student in Indonesia's restive Papua province, officials said.

An angry mob torched local government buildings, shops and homes and set fire to cars and motorbikes on several roads leading to the district chief's office in Wamena city, said Papua police chief Rudolf Alberth Rodja.

Papua military spokesman Eko Daryanto said at least 16 civilians, including 13 from other Indonesian provinces, were killed in Wamena, mostly after being trapped in burning houses or shops.

He said at least one soldier and three civilians died in another protest in Jayapura, the capital of Papua province.

About 65 civilians were injured in Wamena and five police officers were critically injured in Jayapura, he said.



People gather as shops burn in the background during a protest in Wamena in Papua province, Indonesia, Monday, Sept 23, 2019.

Television video showed orange flames and black smoke billowing from burning buildings in Wamena. Rodja said the protest was triggered by rumors that a high school teacher in Wamena who is not from Papua called an indigenous Papuan student a "monkey" last week.

He said a police investigation did not find any evidence of racism against the student, and that false rumors have been spreading among students in other schools and native communities.

"We believe this false information was intentionally designed to create riots,"

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Rodja told reporters in Jayapura, the capital of Papua province. "This is a hoax and I call on people in Papua not to be provoked by untrue news."

Papua police spokesman Ahmad Musthofa Kamal said students from another school in Wamena who refused to join the pro-

test brawled with another group of students.

Video circulated on the internet showed dozens of people, many armed with machetes, standing in front of their shops and homes to protect them from the angry mob.

Joko Harjani, an airport official, said the protest forced authorities to close the city's airport until the situation returns to normal.

The protest came days after Indonesian authorities managed to get the province under control after weeks of violent demonstrations by thousands of people in Papua and West Papua provinces against alleged racism toward Papuans. At least one Indonesian soldier and four civilians were killed in that violence.

The previous protests were triggered by videos circulated on the internet showing security forces calling Papuan university students "monkeys" and "dogs" in East Java's Surabaya city when they stormed a dormitory where Papuan students were staying after a torn Indonesian flag was found in a sewer. □

Duterte suspends any loan talks with backers of rights probe

By JIM GOMEZ
Associated Press

MANILA, Philippines (AP)

— Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte has suspended any negotiations over loans or grants from 18 countries that backed a U.N. human rights resolution calling for an inquiry into human rights conditions in the Philippines, an official said Monday.

Presidential spokesman Salvador Panelo said Duterte asked his executive secretary last month to issue a confidential memo ordering the suspension of talks

on any loans and grants that might be offered by the 18 countries.

Panelo initially denied last week that Duterte had issued the order but then said the president later remembered he had done so when he was shown a copy of the Aug. 27 memo signed by his executive secretary.

The 18 countries supported an Iceland-initiated resolution in July that asked the U.N. High Commissioner for Human Rights to look into human rights conditions in the Philippines under

Duterte's anti-drug crackdown, which has left thousands of mostly poor drug suspects dead. Duterte reacted angrily to the 18 countries, particularly Iceland. Panelo downplayed the effect of Duterte's move, saying it would not have a significant effect on the government's infrastructure program.

Existing foreign grants of about \$377 million, some from countries which supported the proposed U.N. human rights investigation like Australia, will not be affected, Panelo said. □



In this Aug. 27, 2019, file photo, Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte gestures as he addresses the topic of land reform in Manila, Philippines.

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Colombia ex-rebels testify on kidnappings at peace tribunal

By **CHRISTINE ARMARIO**

CÉSAR GARCÍA

Associated Press

BOGOTÁ, Colombia (AP) —

Former combatants for Colombia's once-largest rebel army asked for forgiveness Monday as they acknowledged kidnappings during the nation's long civil conflict at a special tribunal created by the peace process.

Eleven former rebels gave the Special Peace Jurisdiction three file folders offering the first joint, written testimony outlining the guerrilla army's responsibility in kidnappings of politicians, soldiers and civilians.

"We are reflecting deeply over the acts of war so that we can ask for forgiveness for the errors committed," said Rodrigo Londoño, alias Timochenko, the guerrilla army's former leader who is now spearheading their nascent political party.

The testimony comes as cracks in Colombia's still-fragile peace process continue to emerge. A small cadre of ex-rebel commanders officially abandoned the historic accord recently and announced they are rearming. Vast stretches of remote, rural land remain in the control of illegal armed groups fighting over drug routes. Meanwhile, many former combatants transitioning to civilian life have turned up



Accompanied by his wife Johana Castro and their child, former rebel leader commander Rodrigo Londoño arrives to appear before Colombia's special peace tribunal to testify in an ongoing probe of their role in civilian kidnappings in Bogotá, Colombia, Monday, Sept. 23, 2019.

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dead. Londoño showed up at the Special Peace Tribunal in Bogotá carrying a car seat for his infant son and promising magistrates that despite the obstacles most ex-rebels are committed to providing a complete account of war crimes.

"After decades of fratricidal violence, no one can say there was a winner," he said, reading a statement before the tribunal. "To the contrary, entire generations were condemned to all types of humiliating violence. All of us lost."

The tribunal is tasked with

investigating, judging and handing out sentences for the most serious war crimes. Thus far, it has opened a half dozen cases against leftist guerrillas and military officers. Most of the 9,700 ex-rebels who have vowed to cooperate will avoid any jail time by providing a full confession.

The first case concerns kidnappings that Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia rebels committed between 1993 and 2012, a time when the rebel army was expanding.

Kidnappings were a com-

mon practice used to extort money from families and show control of the civilian population. Victims included high-profile politicians like Ingrid Betancourt, who was abducted while campaigning for president. Some kidnapping victims were rescued while others were killed or remain missing.

Londoño described the abductions as an "unfortunate practice" the rebel army tried to keep at a minimum. But as time stretched on, the guerrillas grew increasingly weakened by military

bombings and arrests. He said the "dynamics of war" compelled them to target civilians who could advance the rebels' political and economic goals.

"We're not looking to justify any conduct that violates international humanitarian law, but to let it be known in our own words the objective reasons that led many Colombians to form what was the FARC," he said, referring to the group's Spanish acronym.

Londoño added that the testimony provided Monday came after many months of meetings, interviews and questioning at demobilization zones scattered around the country. The written account does not provide details on individual cases. However, he said ex-rebels expect to offer a more detailed documentation on kidnappings in the months ahead.

"In the name of the men and women who formed our organization, we assume collective ethical and political responsibility for the harm done," he said.

The 2016 peace accord ending Latin America's longest-running conflict calls for a three-pronged approach to documenting a conflict so immense that a full reckoning of all crimes committed is virtually impossible. □

Rio family buries girl killed by stray bullet; police blamed

By **DIANE JEANTET**

Associated Press

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP) —

An 8-year-old girl who was killed by a stray bullet in a Rio de Janeiro shantytown was buried on Sunday amid allegations that she was hit by police fire.

Several hundred people attended the funeral of Ágatha Sales Félix, who died Friday after she was shot in the back while riding in a van in the Complexo do Alemão slum.

Some mourners carried a large banner that said "Stop killing us," a reference to growing concern about the increasing use of lethal force by Brazilian



An uncle of 8-year-old Ágatha Sales Félix shouts and cries during her burial at the cemetery in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Sunday, Sept. 22, 2019.

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police. Authorities defend their hardline tactics, saying they have contributed

to a reduction in violent crime.

The death of the girl

shocked many Brazilians, even though they are accustomed to high levels of violence in their society.

Justice Minister Sérgio Moro said the government has been working hard to reduce killings and "prevent such events from recurring."

Gilmar Mendes, a judge on Brazil's top court, said on Twitter that killings by police in the slums are "alarming" and he questioned security policies in Rio de Janeiro. Residents and Félix's family blame local police for her death, saying they only heard a single shot when she was hit.

Police officers, however,

say they were attacked from various directions and were responding to gunfire. They have not said whether a police bullet killed Félix.

An investigation is underway. State officials said Sunday the girl's parents, as well as the van driver and other witnesses, have testified, while police officers will testify on Monday.

There are no reports of other casualties in the incident. Separately, a police officer died in a hospital on Sunday after he was injured in an operation in the Complexo do Alemão slum last week, the G1 news website reported. It cited local health officials. □

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Aruba and the Cochineal bug

Worlds ancestral pigment farmers of the Americas cultivated a vegetarian insect that offers a high quality dye for animal, vegetal or synthetic fibers and fabrics, food preparation, pigment used in watercolor and oil paint and a market commodity. Carmine is a natural, animal coloring applied in the manufacturing of pharmaceuticals and cosmetics such as lipstick. The pigment carries the number E120. In cosmetics the substance number is CI 75470. Carmine has a crimson reddish color.



Pic. 2 The Nopal or Tuna

Carmine farming seems to pre date the Inca's and Aztecs. The Spanish conquistador Hernán Cortés probably took this substance with him on his journey back to Europe. However not until 1549 a full description of this substance dye etc. was described by Mathioli.

The insects are known as cochineal tick (*Coccus-cacti*) and they thrive on cactus plants, especially prickly pears or tuna's (*Opuntia spp.*). The insect when full grown, gives off a reddish or carmine dye when crushed. For this purposes it is set out on the Nopal cactus, Tuna spañó (*Nopalea Cochenille* or *Dactylopius*) The tiny tick eats by extracting juice of the cactus and matures. Then it is harvested and slightly sundried. One pound (1 lbs.) of color holds about 70.000 ticks. From this crushed or leached in alcohol a dye is obtained called Cochineal Red.



Pic. 3 A crushed bug releasing its color



Pic.1. Used in the manufacturing of lipstick



Pic.4. Art work made of the Nopal cactus.



Pic.5. The dried insect and a bowl of Cochineal pigment

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Get to know an old Aruban industry through

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Native industry was yet to be developed. A Frenchman Manuel Avril took the Cochineal- farming from Mexico to Guadeloupe and Martinique. Cochineal was mentioned to have tried this on Aruba in the years 1835. By the year 1837 under orders of Reinier F. Baron Van Raders the Dutch Majesty's brig Echo was sent to proceed to the islands in order to study this culture. The government assigned areas of cultivation, such as Socotoro, Companashi, Mon Plaisir, Sividivi, Canashito, Quiv arco. In Savanata and Sabana Grandi, Sta. Cruz. In Noord close to Shaba, Cunucu Abao, Pos Abao, Tanki Flip, Tanki Leendert and Ponton. Remarkable was the implementation of a few other local plants in order to improve production. These were the leaves of the Catashi or



Pic. 6. Used as food coloration

Loki Loki tree (Phyllanthus botryanthus) that were rolled up into a cone shape which locals used to call "cartuchi" or "peperesh". The cocoon served as a parasol, umbrella and a wind shade at the same time against the elements. This was pinned in the cactus by using a thorn of a



Cadushi (Lemaireocereus griseus).

In Sabana Grandi there used to be some six tomb ruins of a Dutch family with the name of Strakbein, who farmed the Cochineal bug in this area. It was an exhausting work. Soon after the aloe, another intro-

duced plant, the cultivation of the bug began taking over in these experimental plantations. When in 1857 the Aniline dye was commercialized in Germany, the Cochineal commercial value plunged and by the year 1867 local cultivation disappeared completely.

The government in the Netherlands wanted to promote the breeding of the Cochineal bug on the Leeward Islands. The women were taught how to treat the insect with soft cactus-spines and after how to collect them in paper bags. One could make five guilders a pound when the industry was flourishing which was a good income for that time.

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There are a few cases where the effect of hyperactivity is induced in small children. Also skin contact with cosmetic containing the dying agent can induce allergies. As pigment it is known to produce severe allergies reactions and anaphylactic shock in persons professionally in contact with its production. The pigment is used also to give vegetarian beef that all natural beef color in has imitating meat. □

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United States forward Megan Rapinoe receives the Best FIFA Women's player award during the ceremony of the Best FIFA Football Awards, in Milan's La Scala theater, northern Italy, Monday, Sept. 23, 2019.

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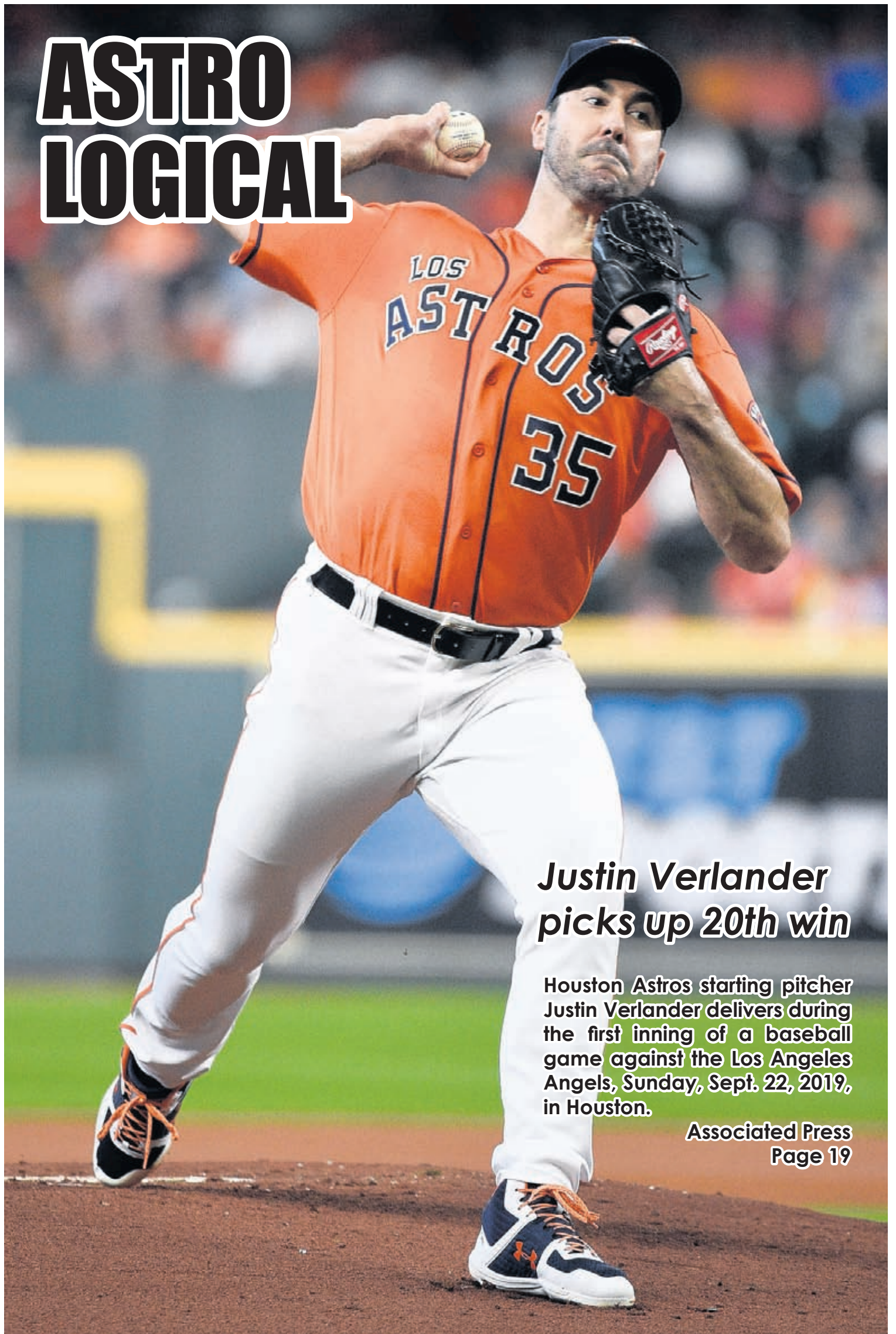
Rapinoe, Messi win FIFA player of the year awards

By DANIELLA MATAR
Associated Press

MILAN (AP) — Lionel Messi won his sixth FIFA player of the year award, while Megan Rapinoe won her first at a lavish ceremony at Milan's iconic Teatro alla Scala on Monday. Rapinoe was rewarded at the FIFA Best awards for leading the United States to the women's World Cup title in July, as was Jill Ellis who won the women's coach award. Rapinoe scored six goals in the tournament, earning her the Golden Boot for the tournament's top scorer and the Golden Ball as the top player. The outspoken star often uses her success as a platform to speak out about issues and the 34-year-old did so again in Milan, pleading for her male and female colleagues to join the likes of Manchester City winger Raheem Sterling in speaking out on racism and other inequalities.

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Justin Verlander picks up 20th win

Houston Astros starting pitcher Justin Verlander delivers during the first inning of a baseball game against the Los Angeles Angels, Sunday, Sept. 22, 2019, in Houston.

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On record: Hurdler Kevin Young hoping mark stands at worlds

By **PAT GRAHAM**

AP Sports Writer

DOHA, Qatar (AP) — For 27 years, 400-meter hurdler Kevin Young has followed a similar routine to celebrate his world record: Call some media outlets to drum up interest (usually, not many takers) and perform a few push-ups (just because). That's it. No popping of champagne. No special dinners. The American ran 46.78 seconds on Aug. 6, 1992, on his way to Olympic gold at the Barcelona Games. It remains one of the longest-standing world records on the men's side and yet he lives in anonymity.

Few fans recognize him. Well, sometimes he does get asked about it when he wears a chain with a good-luck charm that reads "46.78." But most confuse the numbers for a birthday. His mark will be in the spotlight at the world championships this week, because there's a good chance it might fall. Maybe Karsten Warholm of Norway breaks it or Rai Benjamin of the U.S. Or possibly local favorite Abderrahman Samba of Qatar.

For the record, Young doesn't want to see his mark broken — ever. "I want to own the record as long as I can because it makes me relevant," Young said in a phone interview. "After someone breaks it, I go from world-record holder to simply hurdles fan." The 53-year-old Young will skip the action inside the



In this Aug. 6, 1992, file photo, USA's Kevin Young celebrates crossing the finish line of the 400 meter hurdles in a world record time of 45.78 seconds at the summer Olympic in Barcelona, Spain.

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air-conditioned Khalifa Stadium. Sorry, he's heading back to school with classes starting.

He was awarded a scholarship to Swansea University in Wales, where will be working on his master's degree in sports integrity and ethics. He has an eye on possibly working for the International Olympic Committee.

However, if IAAF president Sebastian Coe really wants him to be in Doha for the 400 hurdles final on Monday, Sept. 30, he might be able to make it.

One condition: "Tell Seb to fly me in on his private jet," Young cracked. "But remind him I have class the next day."

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Hall of Famer remains in a class by himself. He's charismatic (he's got stories galore), speaks his mind (feels his record should've been more heralded) and loves social media. He wishes Instagram would've been around when he broke the mark because he's convinced it would've made him a "household name."

"The real story is the lack of a story," Young said. "I guess I shocked the world so much, they couldn't even speak about it."

What he did that day in Barcelona was become the first 400 hurdler to eclipse the 47-second barrier, breaking a record that had belonged to IAAF Hall of Famer Edwin Moses (47.02).

Young didn't have compa-

ny in the under-47 club until Samba went 46.98 on June 30, 2018. At a race in Zurich on Aug. 29, more company was added as Warholm (46.92) and Benjamin (46.98) joined the ranks. All three will be lining up in Doha.

"Maybe one of us manages to match or break it in the near future," Warholm wrote in an email. "Time will show."

Young's pick to break the mark: Warholm by a slight lean.

Young sure would like to be there in Doha, just in case (he was in Switzerland last month). All he needs is transportation and an excuse from class.

"I'd love to be in the stadium when it goes down. I

don't want to get that elusive phone call," he said. "But the inevitability of that happening is out there."

Young has a good movie for you — *The Young Story*. It stars, well, him, and tells the tale of a kid who grew up in Watts, a neighborhood in southern Los Angeles and attended Jordan High, the same school where the late Florence Griffith-Joyner ran years earlier. He was a walk-on at UCLA and became an NCAA champion. Then, his story really gets good.

Among the favorites to medal at the 1988 Seoul Games, Young developed a knot in his hamstring moments before the final. Immediately after the race, the knot mysteriously faded. He finished fourth as American André Phillips took gold.

To motivate himself, Young would write the time of "46.89" on paper and stuff it inside his spikes. The "89" was a reference to his No. 1 ranking in '89. That's how bad he wanted the mark. Leading into the '92 Olympics, the ever-confident Young would pretend to win gold — at practices.

"I did the victory laps, celebrated, had the hand wave, all that," Young recounted. "I had to turn myself into a beast."

In his record-setting race, he started fast and only built from there. He powered right over the final hurdle and raised his right arm in celebration well before the finish line. □

Mediate rallies to win Sanford International

SIoux FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Rocco Mediate needed just about everything to go right for him to win the Sanford International, and it did.

Ken Duke had everything go wrong on the last hole that helped Mediate to his first victory on the PGA Tour Champions in three years.

Mediate birdied his last two holes for a 6-under 64 at Minnehaha Country Club. He won after Duke, tied for the lead going into the final hole, caught two nasty lies in the rough and made double bogey.

Mediate wound up winning by two shots.

"When I added them up, I went, 'Holy crap, 64.' That was cool," Mediate said. "It was just one of those days everything kind of went really good. When I was bad, I got it up-and-down. When I was good, I made putts. You have to

do this crazy stuff. Putted my you-know-what off today, but I hit a lot of good shots, too. I hit a lot of green, kept my head together and here we are."

It was his first victory since the Senior PGA Championship in 2016.

Duke had a share of the lead going into the final round for the first time in his career and held his own until the last hole. His drive took a hop to the right into the rough, leaving Duke a bad lie. From off the green, he sought relief because he thought the ball was in the lining of sod, but that wasn't the case.

It took him four shots to reach the green, and he missed the putt.

His double bogey gave him a 69 and forced him to share second place with Colin Montgome-

rie and Bob Estes, who each had a 67. "I hit a good tee shot and it just kicked hard right into the rough a foot and I had a horrible lie," Duke said. "Then, I hit the shot up here and I thought it was in a seam of sod, but he said there was no sod, nothing sodded. It was probably one of the worst lies I've ever had sitting down. I mean, then what are you going to do after that? Nothing you can do about it. I played good. Thanks for all the people that came out and it was great to be here."

Jay Haas (66) and Steve Flesch (68) tied for fifth. Scott McCarron, who leads the Charles Schwab Cup, shot 67 with a bogey on the 18th and tied for seventh. Only two tournaments are left before the Schwab Cup playoffs, a series of three tournaments. □

Springer 3 HRs, Verlander 20th win, Astros clinch AL West

By The Associated Press

HOUSTON (AP) — George Springer hit a career-high three homers, Justin Verlander posted his MLB-leading 20th win and the Houston Astros clinched their third straight AL West title in grand fashion, routing the Los Angeles Angels 13-5 on Sunday.

A crowd at Minute Maid Park that was cheering from Verlander's first pitch got even louder as Springer homered three times in the first four innings. The Astros kept breaking away and improved to 102-54, a half-game ahead of the New York Yankees for the best record in the majors.

After the final out, the Astros held a bouncing group hug in the middle of the diamond and posed for a team picture. It hasn't been determined who they will face in the playoffs as they try for their second World Series championship in three years.

Springer, the MVP of the 2017 World Series, had two chances to tie the big league record for home runs in a game. He popped up with the bases loaded in the fifth and grounded out in the seventh.

Verlander (20-6) yielded six hits and two runs in five innings to reach 20 wins for the second time in his career and the first since winning the AL MVP and Cy Young Award in 2011 when he went 24-5 for Detroit. This year's AL Cy Young front-runner struck out five to leave him six strikeouts shy of becoming the 18th pitcher in MLB history to reach 3,000. Jose Rodriguez (0-1) allowed three runs in two innings.

INDIANS 10, PHILLIES 1

CLEVELAND (AP) — Rookie Oscar Mercado hit a three-run homer, Yasiel Puig drove a three-run double and Cleveland moved into a tie for the second AL wild card.

Carlos Carrasco (6-7) pitched 2 2/3 scoreless innings for his longest relief appearance since his mid-season cancer diagnosis,

and the Indians matched the Tampa Bay Rays with six games to play. Both teams are 92-64 and two games behind Oakland, which leads the wild-card race. Mercado's 14th home run off Vince Velasquez (7-8) broke a 1-all tie in the fifth. The Indians put the game away with a six-run seventh, which included Puig's double and a two-run homer by Franmil Reyes.

YANKEES 8, BLUE JAYS 3

NEW YORK (AP) — Luis Severino (1-0) struck out nine over five scoreless innings for his first win of the season, and New York hit three home runs as it beat Toronto in its regular season home finale.

New York (102-55) moved 47 games over .500 for the first time since its record-setting 114-victory season in 1998. The AL East champions clinched home-field advantage in the AL Division Series starting Oct. 4 and are competing with Houston for the top record in the AL.

Aaron Judge hit his 26th homer this season and 14th in his last 29 games. Brett Gardner added a three-run drive and DJ LeMahieu made it 6-0 with a two-run homer in the second. Toronto opener Wilmer Font (2-3) gave up four runs in the first and was followed by Trent Thornton.

TWINS 12, ROYALS 8

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Nelson Cruz hit his 400th career home run, Miguel Sanó connected twice and Minnesota powered past Kansas City to remain four games ahead of Cleveland for the AL Central lead. Kansas City joined Baltimore, Detroit and Miami with 100 losses, only the second time in major league history there have been four 100-loss teams in one season.

Sanó homered in the first and third innings. Sanó hit a three-run drive during the big first inning against starter Jorge López (4-9), who lasted just 2 1/3 innings. Zack Littell (6-0) earned the win in relief. □



Houston Astros starter Justin Verlander follows through on a pitch during the first inning of a baseball game against the Los Angeles Angels, Sunday, Sept. 22, 2019, in Houston.

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Royals manager Yost to retire as club's career wins leader

By DAVE SKRETTA
AP Sports Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) —

Ned Yost did something that few thought possible when he took over the Kansas City Royals in 2010: He not only built the organization into a winner but delivered the long-suffering organization its first World Series title in three decades. Now, he's leaving the next rebuilding job to someone else. Yost announced Monday that he will be retiring at the end of the season, ending a nine-year tenure that included two American League pennants and that dramatic 2015 championship. The announcement came on an off-day for the Royals, who lost 12-8 on Sunday to the AL Central-leading Twins to fall to 57-100 — their second consecutive season with at least 100 losses.

The Royals wrap up their season — and their skipper's big league managerial career — with two



In this Oct. 15, 2015, file photo, Kansas City Royals manager Ned Yost talks to the media during a news conference before batting practice for baseball's American League Championship Series, in Kansas City, Mo.

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games against the Braves beginning Tuesday night, then a weekend series at home against Minnesota. The 65-year-old Yost, who has been on a year-to-year contract, will retire as the club's career wins leader with 744 to date. He is the only manager to lead the Royals to back-to-back World Series, losing to the Giants in seven games in 2014 and beating the Mets

in five the following year. "I've thoroughly enjoyed my time here as your manager and will never forget the good and the hard times we had together as an organization and a fan base," Yost said. "I will never forget the fact that you fans supported us through it all. Kansas City will always have a special place in my heart, and I look forward to rooting the Royals on to

their next world championship very soon."

Yost and general manager Dayton Moore are expected to address reporters on Tuesday. Like many small-market clubs, the Royals were forced to gut their roster after their stunning run of success once their foundational stars became too expensive to keep. That began a massive rebuilding effort last year that has continued into this season. Yet unlike last season, the Royals showed signs of hope this summer. Building blocks such as shortstop Adalberto Mondesi, third baseman Hunter Dozier and outfielder Jorge Soler — who broke the franchise record for homers in a season — gave Royals fans a reason to return to the ballpark, while a bevy of talented pitchers in the minor leagues offers more hope for the future. "With the development of our young players and our returning veterans, I feel and hope

the worst is behind us in this rebuilding phase of our organization," Yost said. "My plan all along was to get us through the rough times then turn it over to a new manager to bring us the rest of the way."

The Royals are not expected to move quickly in hiring Yost's replacement, though bench coach Dale Sveum and special adviser Mike Matheny would provide their young core with a seamless transition. Both of them have managerial experience, with Sveum replacing Yost after he was fired in Milwaukee and Matheny with the cross-state rival St. Louis Cardinals. And should Matheny get the nod, it would be remarkably similar to the circumstances in which Yost got the Kansas City job: He moved from an advisory role within the rebuilding Royals in 2010 to replace the fired Trey Hillman.

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Steelers' margin for error vanishes during 0-3 start

By **WILL GRAVES**
AP Sports Writer

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Mason Rudolph's career as an NFL starting quarterback is six quarters old.

Yet he knows how it goes. When things don't go well, the first order of business is placing the blame squarely on your shoulders.

So Rudolph did after a 24-20 loss to San Francisco on Sunday dropped the Pittsburgh Steelers to 0-3 for the first time since 2013, even though Pittsburgh's issues stretch far beyond the 24-year-old's uneven performance.

"A lot of mistakes," Rudolph said after completing 14 of 27 passes for 174 yards with two touchdowns and an interception in his first start while filling in for injured Ben Roethlisberger.

"We can't be that slow-starting in the first half. I have to give our team and our defense more of a chance to put some points up early and get ahead with all of the turnovers they created. They played unbelievable. They did everything coach asked them through the week in creating turnovers and flying around. We have to back them up."

He's half right. The Steelers did force the sloppy 49ers into five turnovers. Yet the defense also allowed San Francisco to roll up 168 yards rushing and couldn't protect the lead twice in the second half after Rudolph connected on a pair of long scores to put Pittsburgh in front.

Rudolph's sluggish start was due in large part to jitters — he overthrew a handful of passes in the first half — and a conservative game plan that seemed intent on building his confidence instead of letting him sling it downfield.

When the reins finally loos-

ened after halftime he found JuJu Smith-Schuster for a 76-yard catch-and-run and a wide-open Diontae Johnson for a 38-yard strike.

Both throws, however, came after an ill-advised lob across his body that turned into a pick the 49ers

ting turnovers and we were settling for field goals."

A disparity that highlights Pittsburgh's thin margin for error with Roethlisberger out for the year with an elbow injury.

The Steelers host winless Cincinnati (0-3) next Monday. The winner can keep

need to have greater "ball awareness" after managing to create just 15 takeaways in 2018. The Steelers already have seven so far in 2019. While some of San Francisco's turnovers were self-inflicted mistakes, two were on interceptions by linebacker T.J. Watt and

STOCK UP

Fitzpatrick was even better than advertised in his debut with the Steelers following a trade with Miami early last week.

Fitzpatrick forced a fumble and picked off a pass and in general looked every bit the hard-hitting and versatile player Pittsburgh envisioned when it parted with a 2020 first-round draft pick to get him.

STOCK DOWN

Tomlin gave wide receiver Donte Moncrief the week off after Moncrief spent his first two games in Pittsburgh dropping passes with alarming regularity. Whether Moncrief returns to the active roster anytime soon will depend on how quickly he can regain his confidence and rebuild trust with the coaching staff.

INJURED

Tight end Vance McDonald left with a shoulder injury and did not return. His status for next week is uncertain.

KEY NUMBER

6. The number of teams since 1981 who have started 0-3 and reached the postseason. The Steelers nearly did it in 2013 after beginning the season 0-4. Pittsburgh rallied to finish 8-8 and would have made the playoffs if not for a missed field goal by Kansas City's Ryan Succop at the end of regulation in Week 17 that allowed San Diego to claim the final wild-card spot.

NEXT STEPS

Having offensive coordinator Randy Fichtner come up with a scheme that doesn't wait so long to let Rudolph do his thing. Rudolph set records at Oklahoma State by leading an Air Raid-type attack that allowed Rudolph to throw the ball vertically rather than the short-pass heavy approach used against the 49ers. □



Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback Mason Rudolph (2) passes as he is pressured by San Francisco 49ers defensive end Arik Armstead during the second half of an NFL football game in Santa Clara, Calif., Sunday, Sept. 22, 2019.

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converted into a touchdown.

Running back James Conner also fumbled deep in Pittsburgh territory late in the fourth quarter, giving San Francisco a short field to go ahead for good.

"We turned the ball over twice," Steelers coach Mike Tomlin said. "They scored two touchdowns in the second half and really that's the difference in the game. In the first half, we were get-

some semblance of a flicker of hope alive in a division that's a combined 3-9 through three weeks.

Asked how he keeps the team together in the face of adversity, Tomlin shrugged.

"We're not into the keep it together discussions," he said. "That's not how we're built. We have a game next week. We'll be ready."

WHAT'S WORKING

Pittsburgh stressed the

newly acquired safety Minkah Fitzpatrick.

WHAT NEEDS HELP

James Conner's breakout 2018 season ended with him making the Pro Bowl and quietly muting any concerns about Le'Veon Bell's absence. Three games into this season, Conner has struggled to get anything going. He has just 97 yards rushing and as many fumbles as touchdowns.

Goldschmidt, Cards clinch playoff spot, rally past Cubs 3-2

By The Associated Press

CHICAGO (AP) — Paul Goldschmidt hit a tiebreaking double in the ninth inning and St. Louis clinched a playoff spot by rallying past Chicago for its first four-game sweep at Wrigley Field in almost a century. NL Central-leading St. Louis qualified for the postseason for the first time since 2015 and stayed three games ahead of Milwaukee. It was the fifth consecutive win for the Cardinals, who came back for a 9-8 victory Saturday on consecutive homers by Yadier Molina and Paul DeJong against Craig Kimbrel in the ninth.

The time, Chicago manager Joe Maddon sent a dominant Yu Darvish (6-8) back to the mound for the ninth to go for his first complete game since 2014. But the result was the same in the Cubs' fifth consecutive one-run loss.

Miles Mikolas pitched 7 2/3 innings of two-run ball and Tyler Webb (2-1) got the last out of the eighth for the win. Andrew Miller worked the ninth for his sixth save.

BREWERS 4, PIRATES 3

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Eric Thames hit two home runs and Milwaukee took a combined perfect game into the seventh inning to beat Pittsburgh and match Washington atop the NL wild-card standings.

Orlando Arcia connected for the Brewers, but the shortstop also let a line drive tip off his glove with one out in the seventh for a hit that ended the perfect game bid in Milwaukee's regular season home finale. Milwaukee has won eight



St. Louis Cardinals' Paul Goldschmidt, right, watches his RBI-double during the ninth inning of a baseball game against the Chicago Cubs, Sunday, Sept. 22, 2019, in Chicago. St. Louis won 3-2.

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of nine. Trevor Williams (7-8) took the loss for the Pirates, who lost their ninth straight. Gio Gonzalez (3-2) picked up the win. Josh Hader got four outs for his 35th save in 41 tries.

MARLINS 5, NATIONALS 3

MIAMI (AP) — Three relievers each gave up an extra-base hit in a seventh-inning meltdown, and Washington's streak of 11 consecutive wins against Miami ended in a loss that dropped the Nationals into a tie with Milwaukee for the top NL wild card.

Hunter Strickland and Wander Suero (6-9) allowed two runs apiece in the seventh, and Tanner Rainey gave up an RBI triple by Starlin Castro as the Marlins rallied from a 3-1 deficit to take a 5-3 lead.

The bullpen collapse came against the Nationals' fa-

vorite foils. Miami averted a three-game sweep and finished 4-15 against Washington this year.

Jeff Bringham, helped when left fielder Harold Ramirez robbed Adam Eaton of a hit, pitched a perfect ninth for his first career save. Jarlin Garcia (4-2) pitched a scoreless inning for the win.

DODGERS 7, ROCKIES 4

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Hyun-Jin Ryu hit a home run and pitched seven solid innings, Cody Bellinger hit a grand slam and Los Angeles reached the 100-win mark. With the Dodgers still undecided on a starter for the NL Division Series opener Oct. 3, Ryu (13-5) made his case by giving up three runs and six hits over seven innings with no walks and eight strikeouts. His first career home run was a bonus. The Dodgers reduced their

magic number for clinching the best record in the NL to one. Los Angeles joined Houston and the New York Yankees to give the major leagues three 100-game winners for the third straight season. Before 2017, the only years with three 100-win teams were 1942, 1977, 1998, 2002 and 2003. Sam Hilliard hit a two-run home run in the seventh, his sixth, for the last-place Rockies. Antonio Senzatela (10-11) took the loss.

GIANTS 4, BRAVES 1

ATLANTA (AP) — Rookie Logan Webb allowed only two hits and one run in six innings, Evan Longoria drove in two runs with two hits and San Francisco beat Dallas Keuchel (8-7) and Atlanta. Braves manager Brian Snitker, preparing the NL East champions for the playoffs, rested outfielder Ron-

ald Acuña Jr., third baseman Josh Donaldson and second baseman Ozzie Albies. Albies had his second straight day off before reaching on a pinch-hit single in the ninth.

Webb (2-2) was sharp in his seventh start, preventing the Braves from a three-game sweep in their final regular-season game at SunTrust Park. Relievers Tyler Rogers and Will Smith closed out the combined five-hitter. Smith pitched the ninth for his 34th save.

PADRES 6, DIAMONDBACKS 4, 10 INNINGS

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Rookie Seth Mejias-Brean hit a two-run homer with no outs in the 10th inning and San Diego beat Arizona to give interim manager Rod Barajas his first win since taking over for the fired Andy Green.

Mejias-Brean homered off Yoan Lopez (2-7) on a 1-1 pitch for his second overall and his first walkoff homer. Greg Garcia was aboard on a leadoff double.

San Diego's Matt Strahm (6-10) pitched a perfect 10th for the win.

METS 6, REDS 3

CINCINNATI (AP) — Michael Conforto homered to cap a four-run first inning and New York gave its faint playoff hopes a boost. J.D. Davis and Brandon Nimmo also connected for the Mets, who remained 4 ½ games behind Milwaukee for the second NL wild card. New York starter Marcus Stroman walked the bases loaded with two outs and a 4-2 lead in the fifth. Brad Brach (5-4) came on to get Eugenio Suárez to pop up on the first pitch. □

Royals manager Yost to retire as club's career wins leader

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Yost began his career in baseball as a catcher when he was drafted out of Chabot College in 1974. He made his big league debut six years later for Milwaukee and went on to play parts of six seasons with the Brewers, Rangers and Expos before moving into coaching. That's where he ultimately made a name for himself.

After a long tenure on Bobby Cox's staff in Atlanta, he was hired by the Brewers in 2003 and immediately set about rebuilding that franchise. He had them within sight of the postseason in 2008 when he was fired with just 12 games remaining in the regular season. Sveum guided them into the playoffs, where they lost to Philadelphia in the divisional round.

Yost got a second chance to rebuild a franchise when he took over for Hillman in Kansas City. The once-proud organization had just one winning season since 1993, and had not reached the playoffs since beating the Cardinals to win the Royals' only World Series title in 1985.

The Royals lost at least 90 games in each of Yost's first two seasons, but with

young stars such as Eric Hosmer and Mike Moustakas arriving, they had finally become competitive. They won 86 games the following year and finally broke through in 2014, advancing all the way to the World Series.

Their championship season in 2015 was celebrated by an estimated 800,000 people who turned out in downtown Kansas City for

a parade, a surreal sight for those who had followed the Royals for years.

Yost did not say what he planned to do next, though he's long enjoyed spending his offseasons hunting and fishing on his farm in Georgia.

One of his best friends, the comedian Jeff Foxworthy, is his neighbor, and many of his other close friends live nearby. □

Barlow, Royer score, Red Bulls beat Union 2-0

By The Associated Press
HARRISON, N.J. (AP) —

Daniel Royer scored an insurance goal late in the second half, helping the New York Red Bulls to a 2-0 win over the Philadelphia Union on Sunday.

Tom Barlow gave New York (14-13-5) a 1-0 advantage in the 32nd minute on a shot 12 yards out from the center of the box.

Royer capped the scoring for New York in the sixth minute of second-half stoppage time on a shot 10 yards away from the center of the box, assisted by Bradley Wright-Phillips.

The Red Bulls outshot the Union (15-9-7) 17 to eight, with seven shots on goal to three for Philadelphia.

New York drew six corner kicks, committed seven fouls and was given one yellow card.

Philadelphia drew seven corner kicks, committed 12 fouls and did not receive a card.

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PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) —

Portland and Minnesota played to a scoreless draw, delaying Minnesota's bid for a playoff berth.

Minnesota (14-10-7, 49 points) could have clinched a playoff spot with a win against Portland. With the draw, The Timbers (13-13-5, 44 points) moved back into playoff position, but just barely.

The sides exchanged plenty of chances early as the Timbers registered their most shots in a first half since this year since their opening match of the season.

The Timbers, who have lost four of their last six games, have not scored in their last 270 minutes, all at home.

FC DALLAS 1, NEW YORK CITY FC 1

FRISCO, Texas (AP) — Zdenek Ondrasek scored in the second half, helping Dallas rally for the tie with New York City.

Valentin Castellanos



Minnesota United FC goalkeeper Vito Mannone (1) makes a save against Portland Timbers' Diego Valeri (7) during an MLS soccer match at Providence Park, Sunday, Sept. 22, 2019, in Portland, Ore.
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notched the first goal for New York City (16-5-10) in the first minute on a shot 11 yards away from the right side of the box, assisted by Anton Tinnerholm.

Ondrasek tied the match for Dallas (12-11-9) at 1-1 in the 66th minute on a shot 11 yards out from the center of the box.

Dallas outshot New York City 19 to 12, with five shots on goal to four for New

York City. Dallas drew nine corner kicks, committed 15 fouls and was given two yellow cards. New York City drew six corner kicks, committed 14 fouls and was given three yellow cards.

DC UNITED 2, SOUNDERS 0
WASHINGTON (AP) — Lucas Rodriguez and Fred-eric Brillant scored to lead DC United past the Seattle Sounders.

Rodriguez got the scoring started for DC United (13-10-9) in the 14th minute on a shot 13 yards away from the center of the box.

Brillant added a score in the 54th minute, a shot 12 yards away from the center of the box, assisted by Wayne Rooney.

The Sounders (14-10-8) outshot DC United 17 to 12. Both teams had four shots on goal. □

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"If we really want to have meaningful change what I think is most inspiring would be if everybody other than Raheem Sterling and (Kalidou) Koulibaly, if they were as outraged about racism as they were, if everybody was as outraged about homophobia as the LGBTQ players, if everybody was as outraged about the lack of equal pay and investment in the women's game other than just women, that would be the most inspiring thing to me," Rapinoe said. "That's my ask of everybody. As professional footballers ... we have so much success, we have incredible platforms, I ask everybody here to lend your platform, to lift people up, to use this beautiful game to change the world for better."

Rapinoe said after the ceremony that being able to speak out about issues is

more important to her than the actual award.

"I've been very lucky to have this incredibly platform that seems to be growing by the day and I plan to use it to the best of my ability," she told reporters. "The award's amazing of course but I don't do this for individual awards, certainly not."

"Even the team awards, the World Cup's obviously incredible to win but when we sort of all look back on it, it will be the way we've changed the game and moved the game forward and really been a part of changing the world, this incredible movement that's happening right now, that we'll all be most proud of." Messi's award moved the Barcelona and Argentina forward one ahead of Cristiano Ronaldo. The Juventus forward did not attend the ceremony despite being among the three finalists.

The duo has dominated the award since 2008, with their string of victories only interrupted by Luka Modric last year.

Liverpool defender Virgil van Dijk was the other finalist. His club manager Jürgen Klopp was named coach of the year after steering Liverpool to the Champions League title in June, while teammate Alisson won the best men's goalkeeper award.

"I have to thank my team because as coach you can only be as good as your team is," Klopp said. Ellis also thanked her players. "I owe so much to them," she said.

Ellis resigned in July, shortly after the U.S. beat the Netherlands 2-0 to win its second successive World Cup.

The 53-year-old Ellis was named coach of the U.S. team in 2014 and led it to eight overall tournament titles, including back-to-



Argentinian Barcelona player Lionel Messi, United States women's World Cup winning coach Jill Ellis, Liverpool manager Jurgen Klopp and United States forward Megan Rapinoe pose after they received the Best FIFA coach award, best FIFA men's, Women's player award during the Best FIFA soccer awards ceremony, in Milan's La Scala theater, northern Italy, Monday, Sept. 23, 2019.
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back World Cup successes. Over the course of her tenure, the United States lost just seven matches. Her players made up nearly half of the women's team of the year, with Kelley O'Hara, Julie Ertz, Rose Lavelle and Alex Morgan included in the 11 as well

as Rapinoe. "I think I walked out with Messi and no one noticed me," Ellis said jokingly to reporters, before adding: "It was such an honor, it really was. Fantastic night ... happy for my players to do so well as well on that stage so it was great." □

Can a new space race connect the world to the internet?

By TALI ARBEL

AP Technology Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — It's a 21st century space race: Amazon, SpaceX and others are competing to get into orbit and provide internet to the earth's most remote places.

And like the last century's battle for space supremacy that was triggered by the Soviet Union's launch of Sputnik 1, this one involves satellites. Thousands of them.

More than a dozen companies have asked U.S. regulators for permission to operate constellations of satellites that provide internet service. Not all are aimed at connecting consumers, but some have grand and global ambitions.

"The goal here is broadband everywhere," Amazon founder Jeff Bezos said at a conference in June. With half the world's population — more than 3 billion people — not using the internet, it's a huge potential market. And there's the obvious benefit on the ground: Not having internet access makes it difficult or impossible to apply for many jobs, for kids to do homework, for people in remote areas to get medical care, and to participate in the global economy.

But this new wave of spaced-based internet faces hurdles. It is expensive to launch, technologically complex and could prove too costly for the very people it hopes to reach.

And then there's space junk. More on that in a moment.

Satellite internet already exists, dominated by a handful of companies like HughesNet and Viasat that have huge, expensive satellites sitting 22,000 miles (35,000 kilometers) from the earth and covering big territories on the ground. But the service is expensive and limited, comes with data caps and lags, and doesn't have many users.

The new satellites are smaller, cheaper, and closer to the earth, so theoretically signals travel faster and applications like online



In this May 23, 2019, file photo, a Falcon 9 SpaceX rocket, with a payload of 60 satellites for SpaceX's Starlink broadband network, lifts off from Space Launch Complex 40 at Florida's Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, seen from Cocoa Beach, Fla.

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gaming that need instant responses would work better. And they have some heavyweight backers. In addition to Amazon and SpaceX — the company of eccentric billionaire and Tesla founder Elon Musk — the race has also been joined by OneWeb, which is backed by investors including Virgin founder Richard Branson, U.S. chip-maker Qualcomm and Japanese tech conglomerate SoftBank.

But the industry is still in its infancy, and at least three years away from widespread commercial service, said Kerri Cahoy, professor of aeronautics and astronautics at MIT, and even further from making any money.

"I would be surprised if something were profitable in 10 years," she said. There are also competing efforts at extending connectivity, including Google with its Loon balloons, which are solar-powered cell towers made of plastic sheets that float on the winds, and others working on solar-powered drones.

The satellite companies need to build dishes and antennas that are more complicated and costlier than those for traditional satellites that don't move. SpaceX, for example, has filed for permission with U.S. regulators to build 1 million "earth stations" that would help connect customers to the internet.

There's no way to have

a viable mass service unless the cost of this type of equipment drops, said Caleb Williams, economic analyst at aerospace engineering company SpaceWorks Enterprises.

Launches have already been pushed back: OneWeb had once said it would be operating in Alaska this year. But service is now expected to start in late 2020.

The logistics of becoming an internet service provider also aren't easy. The new crop of space-internet companies are more likely to set up arrangements with existing telecom companies than try to sell internet service directly, Williams said, because it's easier than setting up a sales and marketing operation of their own.

Those same telecom companies don't want to build in remote areas because

it's too expensive. A Federal Communications Commission official in 2017 estimated that extending fiber to the roughly 20 million U.S. homes and businesses that lacked broadband would cost \$80 billion. And in developing countries, where the underlying infrastructure is worse, internet is primarily available through a cellphone.

The new satellite companies may have an infrastructure alternative that's cheaper for companies to build than wires on the ground. A telecom company needs to pay to build out to a handful of customers in a large area, with huge per-customer costs. With satellite, costs can be shared out over a bigger pool of potential customers all over the world. A SpaceX executive in 2018 predicted that it would cost \$10 billion to deploy a

constellation of mini-satellites. Bezos predicted that Amazon's satellite-internet arm will cost "multiple billions of dollars" to build.

Making sure that people have access to internet is just one step to getting them online, however. People also need to be able to afford internet, and those in rural areas are more likely to be poor.

It's not clear what the pricing will be but high costs swamped satellite phone service two decades ago. It could do so again with internet.

"If you would have to pay 20% or more of your income to go on the internet, in a situation where you make a few dollars per day, you don't, because it's too expensive," said Martin Schaaper, an analyst at the United Nations' information and communications technology agency.

Then there are concerns about the growth of space junk, or "orbital debris," which could crash into each other and even potentially set off a chain reaction of collisions that make orbit "no longer usable," according to NASA. SpaceX, for one, says it's trying to avoid adding to the junk layer by moving satellites to avoid crashes and designing them to burn up in atmosphere when they're used up. The space companies have laid out their plans to avoid debris with U.S. regulators, but critics say more needs to be done, like setting up an air traffic control system

Google strikes back with its own game subscription service

NEW YORK (AP) — Google is offering a new subscription service for apps and games on Android devices days after Apple launched a similar service.

Google Play Pass will cost \$5 a month and give subscribers access to 350 games and apps. It will cost \$2 a month for the first year in an introductory offer. Android devices with Android 4.4 (known as KitKat) or later will support Play Pass.

Available apps range from puzzle games like "Monument Valley" and strategy games like "Risk," to apps including AccuWeather and Facetune. New apps and

games will be added every month.

There are some key differences with Apple Arcade, however. Apple's \$5-a-month service, which launched with iOS13 on Thursday, consists of games developed exclusively for the service — if they are in Apple Arcade they can't be in the app store.

The apps in Google's service, on the other hand, are already available for purchase in the Play store. So users can determine if they'd rather shell out a few dollars to own a game or spend about the same amount to have monthly access to many games and apps. □

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Liz Weston: Is premium economy airfare worth the money?

By LIZ WESTON
Associated Press

As coach travel gets more cramped, airlines have added "premium economy" sections that promise more space and comfort — often at a substantially higher price.

Air carriers have discovered many travelers are willing to pay two or even three times the prevailing economy fare to escape the crowded confines of coach. The extra money is mostly profit for the airlines, which is why so many now offer this class of service.

But what you get can vary dramatically by airline. A little buyer-beware knowledge next time you plan a trip can help you avoid wasting your money on an upgrade that isn't worth it.

MORE SPACE, BUT NOT NECESSARILY MORE COMFORT

Premium economy's big selling point is more space. The seats are an inch or two wider on average than the typical coach seat, and the rows are farther apart, offering several more inches of legroom.

Most premium economy seats recline, and many have footrests.

How much space you actually get depends on the airline. According to airline seat review site SeatGuru, Japan Airlines offers about 10 inches more leg space than you typically find in coach, while most other carriers offer just 5 or 6 inches more.



This April 2017, file photo provided by NerdWallet shows Liz Weston, a columnist for personal finance website NerdWallet.com.

And not all the seats are equally comfortable. Many reviewers dislike the "fixed shell" design used by Air France and Aeroflot, where the seat slides forward rather than reclining. What premium economy doesn't offer: lie-flat beds, which are now the standard for long-haul business and first-class cabins. Then again, fares for those flights are typically thousands of dollars more than you'd pay for premium economy.

WHAT ABOUT THE EXTRAS?

The amenities and customer service you get in pre-

mium economy are all over the map. Some, including premium economy pioneer Virgin Atlantic, offer priority check-in counters, cushy seats, amenity kits, plenty of good-quality food and expedited baggage handling. Others, such as discount carrier Norwegian Air, skimp on the extras, offering less to its premium economy customers than other airlines provide in coach.

For example: Free snacks and meals are pretty standard on international flights, even in economy.

Norwegian, however, offers no free food other than small meals served in boxes to premium economy passengers. The carrier also reduced the weight limit for free checked bags from the industry standard of 23 kilos (50 pounds) to just 20 kilos (44 pounds), and puts a weight limit on carry-ons (10 kilos, or 22 pounds). Its check-in counters do a brisk business in charging extra fees to those who failed to read the fine print. SeatGuru can give you some idea of the space you can expect, and the airline's site usually details what's included with your fare. Don't rely too much on travel site reviews, since those may be out of date and the airline's policies could have changed.

ARE YOU PAYING MORE FOR LESS?

The airfare you pay doesn't necessarily reflect what you get. For an April trip from Los Angeles to London, for example, Kayak shows a \$1,698 premium economy fare for Virgin Atlantic versus \$1,747 charged by Norwegian. (Air New Zealand, winner of TripAdvisor's 2019 Travelers' Choice Awards for best premium economy, charges \$1,612.)

The lowest economy fares for the same route: \$638 for Virgin Atlantic, \$556 for Norwegian and \$576 for Air New Zealand.

Which means that the premium you would pay for premium economy — the

amount above the airline's economy fare — is substantially more for Norwegian than the other two carriers. (For reference, business class fares on the same route start at \$3,033 for Virgin Atlantic and \$2,842 for Air New Zealand. Norwegian doesn't have a business class.)

WHEN TO SPRING FOR PREMIUM ECONOMY

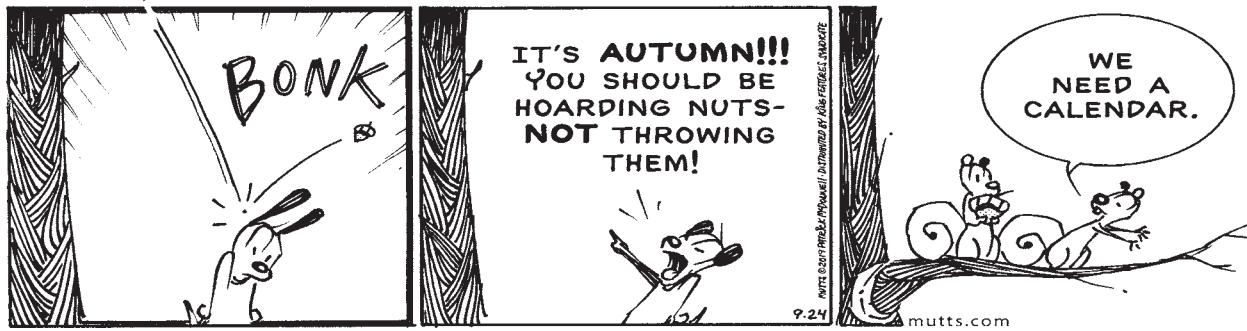
The gap between economy and premium economy fares tends to narrow as the date of travel nears, airline experts say. If you book a ticket within three months of departure, for example, you may pay only a few hundred dollars more to get premium economy, which could be a good deal.

Airlines may also give you the opportunity to upgrade — again, for a few hundred bucks, and sometimes less — when you check in, if all the premium economy seats haven't been sold.

Paying the full price for premium economy can make sense in some circumstances. Enduring five or more hours in a cramped coach seat may be hard for older or taller travelers.

A good premium economy cabin also can enhance special occasions, such as a honeymoon, or a business trip where you need to arrive in fairly good shape. You just need to do some research to make sure that what you get will be worth the additional money. □

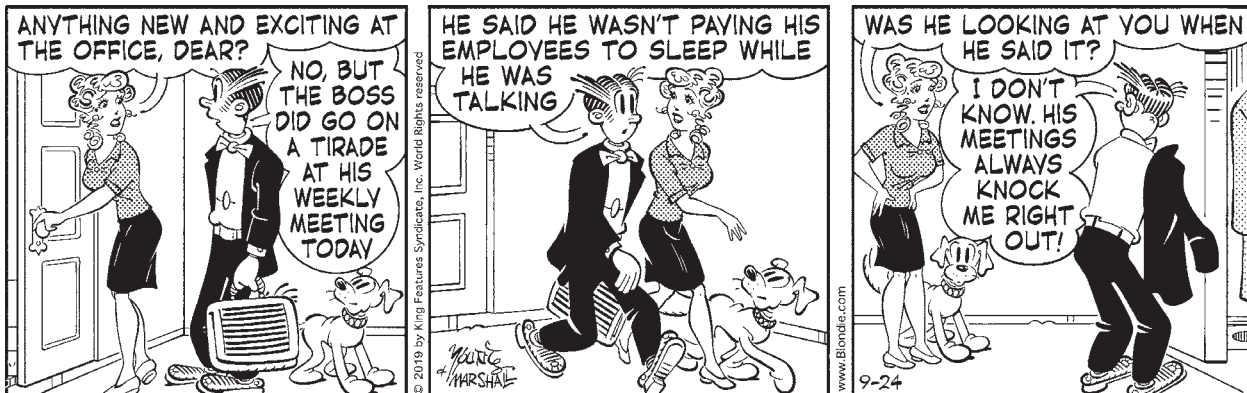
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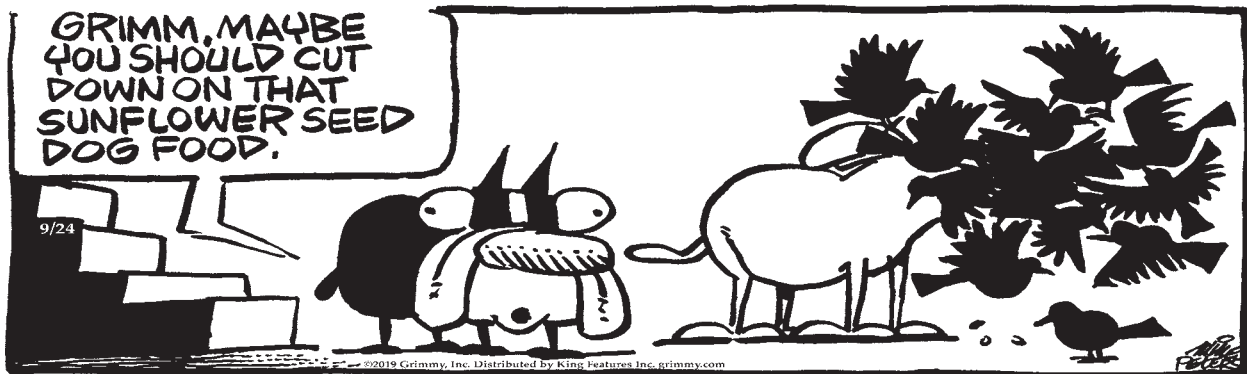
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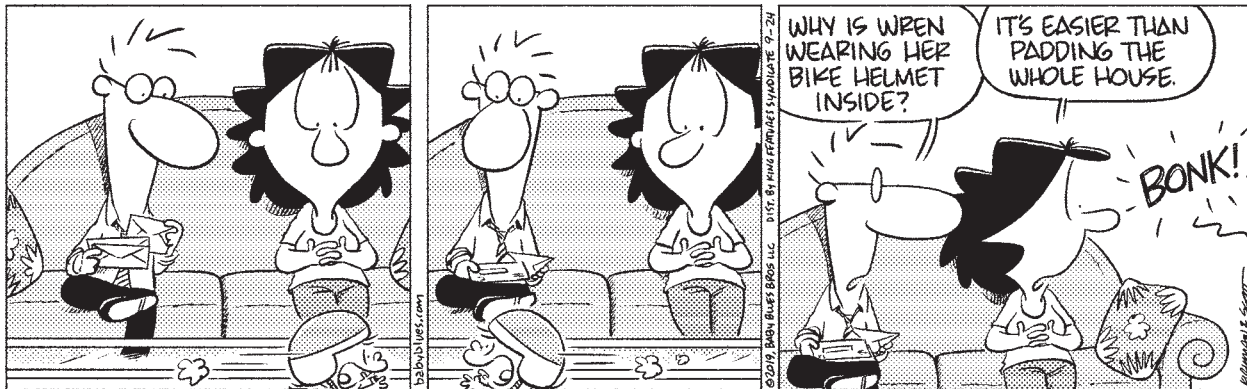
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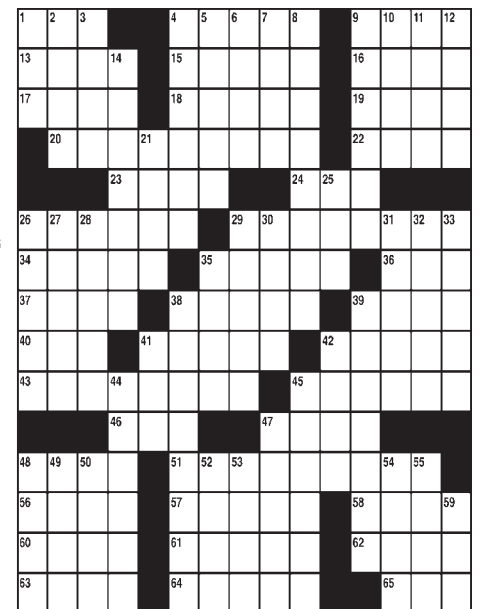
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- 41 Luster
- 42 Bisect
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7	Flooring piece	43	Strong; valiant	53	Peruvian Indians	63	Lads
8	Gun holders	44	Russia's dollars	54	Intended	64	Counts calories
9	Go on strike	45	First encycl. volume, perhaps	55	Mammal native to China	65	Pigeon
10	Flow out slowly	46	First encycl.	56	Grade after kindergarten		
11	Convince	47	Part of speech	57	Spike & Brandon		
12	All __; listening	48	Thrilled	58	Know- __; wisecrack		
14	Mouths, slangily	49	Gets closer to	59	Unsuspecting		
21	Cushions	50	Edison's monogram		Trait transmitters		
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42	Harm	50	Actress Sheedy
44	Soup servers' needs	52	Place to buy salami & rye
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Curious Kids: Why do we say 'OK'?

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Why do we say 'OK'?

Of all the words in the English language, the word "OK" is pretty new: It's only been used for about 180 years.

Although it's become the most spoken word on the planet, it's kind of a strange word. Sometimes it's spelled out – "okay" – and sometimes just two letters are used: "OK." Other times, periods separate the two letters: "O.K."

I'm a syntactician, which means that I'm someone who looks at the structure of language. I also study words and how they change over time.

For example, the word "silly" used to mean "happy" and now means "foolish." Sometimes new words develop, like "stan," which means a person who's obsessed with a celebrity, and "exomoon," a moon

outside our solar system. Linguists – the term for people who study languages – don't always know why these shifts happen. Usually they're in response to social changes or scientific discoveries. But the largest dictionary of the English language, the Oxford English Dictionary, is always adding new words. In fact, it added 1,400 new words in June 2019 and will add even more words two more times this year.

So why did people start to say "OK"?

We aren't entirely sure. But some linguists point to how, in the early 19th century, humorous abbreviations were in vogue. Young people would write things like "KG," which stood for "know go," an intentional misspelling of "no go," when they meant something was impossible. It was a way to play with language. □



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Hawaii coral show signs of stress amid record-setting heat

By **CALEB JONES**

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CAPTAIN COOK, Hawaii

(AP) — At the edge of an ancient lava flow where jagged black rocks meet the Pacific, small off-the-grid homes overlook the calm blue waters of Papa Bay on Hawaii's Big Island — no tourists or hotels in sight. Here, one of the islands' most abundant and vibrant coral reefs thrives just below the surface.

Yet even this remote shoreline far from the impacts of chemical sunscreen, trampling feet and industrial wastewater is showing early signs of what's expected to be a catastrophic season for coral in Hawaii.

Just four years after a major marine heat wave killed nearly half of this coastline's coral, federal researchers are predicting another round of hot water will cause some of the worst coral bleaching the region has ever experienced.

"In 2015, we hit temperatures that we've never recorded ever in Hawaii," said Jamison Gove, an oceanographer with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. "What is really important — or alarming, probably more appropriately — about this event is that we've been tracking above where we were at this time in 2015."

Researchers using high-tech equipment to monitor Hawaii's reefs are seeing early signs of bleaching in Papa Bay and elsewhere caused by a marine heat wave that has sent temperatures soaring to record highs for months. June, July and parts of August all experienced the hottest ocean temperatures ever recorded around the Hawaiian Islands. So far in September, oceanic tem-



In this Sept. 11, 2019 photo, a green sea turtle swims near coral in a bay on the west coast of the Big Island near Captain Cook, Hawaii.

Associated Press

peratures are below only those seen in 2015.

Forecasters expect high temperatures in the north Pacific will continue to pump heat into Hawaii's waters well into October.

"Temperatures have been warm for quite a long time," Gove said. "It's not just how hot it is — it's how long those ocean temperatures stay warm."

Coral reefs are vital around the world as they not only provide a habitat for fish — the base of the marine food chain — but food and medicine for humans. They also create an essential shoreline barrier that breaks apart large ocean swells and protects densely populated shorelines from storm surges during hurricanes.

In Hawaii, reefs are also a major part of the economy: Tourism thrives largely because of coral reefs that help create and protect iconic white sand beach-

es, offer snorkeling and diving spots, and help form waves that draw surfers from around the world.

Ocean temperatures are not uniformly warm across the state, Gove noted. Local wind patterns, currents and even features on land can create hot spots in the water.

"You have things like two giant volcanoes on the Big Island blocking the predominant trade winds," making the island's west coast, where Papa Bay sits, one of the hottest parts of the state, Gove said. He said he expects "severe" coral bleaching in those places.

"This is widespread, 100% bleaching of most corals," Gove said. And many of those corals are still recovering from the 2015 bleaching event, meaning they are more susceptible to thermal stress.

According to NOAA, the heat wave's causes include a persistent low-pressure weather pattern between Hawaii and Alaska that has weakened winds that otherwise might mix and cool surface waters across much of the North Pacific. What's causing that is unclear: It might reflect the atmosphere's usual chaotic motion, or it could be related to the warming of the oceans and other effects

of human-made climate change. Beyond this event, oceanic temperatures will continue to rise in the coming years, Gove said. "There's no question that global climate change is contributing to what we're experiencing," he said.

For coral, hot water means stress, and prolonged stress kills these creatures and can leave reefs in shambles.

Bleaching occurs when stressed corals release algae that provide them with vital nutrients. That algae also gives the coral its color, so when it's expelled, the coral turns white.

Gove said researchers have a technological advantage for monitoring and gleaning insights into this year's bleaching, data that could help save reefs in the future.

"We're trying to track this event in real time via satellite, which is the first time that's ever been done," Gove said.

In remote Papa Bay, most of the corals have recovered from the 2015 bleaching event, but scientists worry they won't fare as well this time.

"Nearly every species that we monitor has at least some bleaching," said ecologist Greg Asner, director of Arizona State Uni-

versity's Center for Global Discovery and Conservation Science, after a dive in the bay earlier this month.

Asner told The Associated Press that sensors showed the bay was about 3.5 degrees Fahrenheit above what is normal for this time of year.

He uses advanced imaging technology mounted to aircrafts, satellite data, underwater sensors and information from the public to give state and federal researchers like Gove the information they need.

"What's really important here is that we're taking these (underwater) measurements, connecting them to our aircraft data and then connecting them again to the satellite data," Asner said. "That lets us scale up to see the big picture to get the truth about what's going on here."

Scientists will use the information to research, among other things, why some coral species are more resilient to thermal stress. Some of the latest research suggests slowly exposing coral to heat in labs can condition them to withstand hotter water in the future.

"After the heat wave ends, we will have a good map with which to plan restoration efforts," Asner said.

Meanwhile, Hawaii residents like Cindi Punihaole Kennedy are pitching in by volunteering to educate tourists. Punihaole Kennedy is director of the Kahalu'u Bay Education Center, a nonprofit created to help protect Kahalu'u Bay, a popular snorkeling spot near the Big Island's tourist center of Kailua-Kona.

The bay and surrounding beach park welcome more than 400,000 visitors a year, she said.

"We share with them what to do and what not to do as they enter the bay," she said. "For instance, avoid stepping on the corals or feeding the fish."

The area suffered bleaching and coral death in 2015. "It was devastating for us to not be able to do anything," Punihaole Kennedy said. "We just watched the corals die." □



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Pink and red combos, Hollywood gold on the Emmys carpet

By LEANNE ITALIE

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Julia Louis-Dreyfus stunned in classic Hollywood gold, Zendaya donned an emerald silk gown with a provocative corset top and Kerry Washington went for sparkly black tuxedo pants on the Emmy Awards' purple carpet, where pink-and-red combination looks and glittery chokers were plentiful.

"The biggest trend of the night was red and pink dresses," said Andrea Lavinthal, People's style and beauty director. "Mandy Moore's custom Brandon Maxwell led the pack. Her voluminous hair and dazzling diamond earrings added to the glamorous effect."

MJ Rodriguez had a ball in a magenta gown and Jodie Comer of "Killing Eve" wore sleek white, while Gwendoline Christie took her "Game of Thrones" mantle to the extreme in a medieval red cape and lion head metal medallions from Gucci Cruise 2020. Sandra Oh went for pink, posing with her hair in high curls, dressed in an off-shoulder gown.

Louis-Dreyfus finished off her look with long statement floral earrings. Washington opted for high-waisted trousers and a ruffle tuxedo blouse with the collar popped and a few buttons



Julia Louis-Dreyfus arrives at the 71st Primetime Emmy Awards on Sunday, Sept. 22, 2019, at the Microsoft Theater in Los Angeles.

adventurously undone.

Angela Bassett joined Washington in pants, hers in bright red with a midriff top to match. It was a custom strapless look with an asymmetrical cape detail in the top, all from the couture collection of Antonio Grimaldi.

Michelle Williams, a brand ambassador for Louis Vuitton, wore a custom embroidered gown from the brand. Sophie Turner also wore Vuitton, a feminine structured silhouette that Shadow partner and style expert Liza Suloti called "fresh and empowering," adding: "Pink satin never

looked so modern."

Kendall Jenner, who presented on stage with sister Kim Kardashian West, had the internet talking about her Richard Quinn dress and "how she managed to wear Latex without breaking a sweat in the heat," Lavinthal said.

Billy Porter, meanwhile, made his typical carpet statement in a lopsided cowboy hat — one side was huge and the other not.

His suit was in sparkling silver and black stripes was from Michael Kors.

Comer, who plays the assassin Villanelle, enjoyed

the best of two fashion worlds. Her gown was both a halter, with a plunging neckline and high-waist tie belt, and long-sleeve with a jacket effect that skimmed the ground, courtesy of Tom Ford.

Zendaya's custom, one-shoulder asymmetric gown with a dramatic slit was Vera Wang Collection. Rodriguez smiled for the cameras in her sleeveless look with deep plunges under each arm and elegant black bows at the waist, while Christie lived out her Brienne of Tarth days on the now-concluded HBO series in her satin cream boat-

neck gown and Bordeaux draping. Viola Davis adjusted her sparkling chokers — an accessory also popular on the carpet — as she smiled for the cameras in a black-and-white gown. One half was black velvet and the other white satin. It was custom Alberta Ferretti Limited Edition, with a draped off-shoulder sleeve on the white side and no sleeve at all on the left.

Other standouts: Ava DuVernay in a high-neck princess look that glistened in Champagne gold crystals and sequins from Reem Acra. Taraji P. Henson made the most of an ethereal custom fuchsia tulle gown with a dramatic scarlet red cape and plunging neckline from Vera Wang. She flared her long cape on the carpet, managing a high center front slit at the same time.

Marisa Tomei and Susan Kelechi Watson also wore looks of red and pink. Moore's look was comprised of an off-shoulder blouse with a red skirt.

Rachel Brosnahan, who stars in "The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel," represented in a contemporary Hollywood look of metallic midnight blue that caught the camera flashes just right.

The Elie Saab haute couture sequin design was backless with a unique high collar, high slit and ruffly detail at the waist. □

Ann Patchett's 'Dutch House' is modern fairy tale

By DONNA LIQUORI

Associated Press

"The Dutch House," Harper, by Ann Patchett

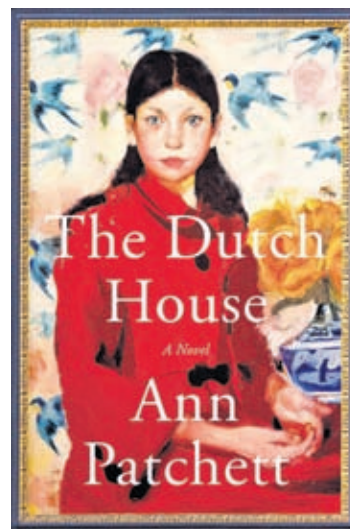
Ann Patchett's latest novel, "The Dutch House," takes place in Pennsylvania as suburbia infringes on the land surrounding the Dutch House, built by the VanHoebeeks, a Dutch couple, in the 1920s.

Maeve and Danny Conroy grow up in this mansion, but are abruptly turned out by their stepmother after their father dies. This paradise lost underscores the lives of the two siblings as they make their way without their previous wealth

or security. Alone in the world, the two Conroys rely on each other. Maeve, already a college graduate, continues her mothering of Danny, who becomes a doctor but elects to follow his father's path: real estate.

Their father, Cyril, a self-made real estate mogul, bought the place after World War II as a surprise for his first wife, Elna, who didn't even know they were rich. The house horrified her, and she eventually abandoned the family and the house to work with the poor in India. This abandonment scars the Conroy

children for most of their



This cover image released by Harper shows "The Dutch House" by Ann Patchett.

Associated Press

lives, just as much as being booted from the house. Andrea, who replaces Elna, only seems interested in the Dutch House and her new husband's money.

Danny and Maeve park outside the Dutch House for years, every couple of months, contemplating their lives and what they've lost (and what they've gained), and these exchanges may be the most rewarding parts of the book. "Do you think it's possible to ever see the past as it actual was?" Danny asks his sister while sitting outside the Dutch House. This relationship demonstrates

how even love within the smallest of families can be a source of resilience.

Patchett's storytelling abilities shine in this gratifying novel, particularly as she moves toward the surprising and delightful conclusion.

It's important to note, though, that architectural history fans may feel a little slighted if they were drawn to the title looking for a story about an old vernacular Dutch house. The mansion is a hodgepodge of styles named for its inhabitants' lineage with a few blue delft mantels "pried out of a castle in Utrecht." □

Galifianakis and Aukerman on 'Between 2 Ferns: The Movie'

This image released by Netflix shows Ryan Gaul, from left, Zach Galifianakis, Jiavani Linayao and Lauren Lapkus in "Between Two Ferns: The Movie."

Associated Press

A decade of doing "Between Two Ferns" has given both a reason to consider the shifting trends of celebrity. "Now one's the president," says Galifianakis. □

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Folake Olowofoyeku hearts life in the television comedy lane

By LEANNE ITALIE

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — A funny thing happened to Folake Olowofoyeku on the way to a career in law: She became a theater major against her parents' wishes and headed straight into the business after earning her undergraduate degree.

Her Nigerian parents were so hell-bent on launching her into the family profession of law that they named her after the first female Senior Advocate of Nigeria, a title conferred on legal practitioners who have distinguished themselves.

A similar scenario is present for Olowofoyeku in "Bob Hearts Abishola," her CBS comedy series that premieres Monday.

Olowofoyeku plays Abishola, who's determined that her young son, Dele, makes it into Harvard and becomes a doctor. Like her own parents, Olowofoyeku said in a recent interview, Abishola "has a specific dream for her child born out of love and protection."

Set in Detroit, the show is a first of sorts for American television: Olowofoyeku, a Nigerian immigrant woman of the Yoruba tribe, plays a Nigerian immigrant woman of the Yoruba tribe.

"Abishola is parts my mom, parts my aunties, parts women I grew up with in Nigeria," the 35-year-old told The Associated Press. "My teachers, people I was surrounded with. I'm pulling



This image released by CBS shows Folake Olowofoyeku as Abishola in a scene from "Bob Hearts Abishola," a comedy about a nurse and the former cardiac patient who pursues her.

from all of them to create her."

Extended family plays out on the show. Abishola and Dele live in a small apartment with an aunt and uncle. Bob, a white American compression socks salesman played by Billy Gardell, is in business with relatives. He lands in her life as a patient after suffering a heart attack. He's smitten and pursues the deadpan, hard-working cardiac nurse after his release as both manage their stressful, quirky families.

Olowofoyeku grew up on affluent Victoria Island in Lagos, with frequent London summer vacations. She arrived in New York on her 18th birthday, first pursuing modeling and then

attending City College of New York. While there, she acquired a love of basketball and played for the CCNY Beavers.

"It was glorious," she said of those years in the city. "I wanted to find the school farthest away from my sister on Long Island, which was Harlem. I wanted to move out on my own."

After she entered the acting business, there was curiosity about how her name would play out professionally. Her agent at the time "very nicely" asked if she'd consider changing it. Olowofoyeku declined.

"She didn't push, and I had considered it, but there's so much value placed on our names in the Yoruba tribe in Nigeria. It never seemed

like the right thing to do. I did, however, get pressure to close my gap, but then I also got a lot of work because of my gap and now the gaps are in," Olowofoyeku smiled, showing off the space between her top front teeth.

Olowofoyeku has worked steadily. In addition to short films, she was in "Female Fight Squad" and "Hellbenders" on the big screen, among others. She's not new to TV, appearing on "Transparent" and "Modern Family." She scored a spot in David Bowie's music video for "The Next Day." She's done voice work, video game work and continues to pursue music.

Her first love was music. She taught herself electric

guitar, plays a bit of piano and became a sound engineer. She still loves singing, but acting drew her in. While working in theater, she found her way into a lot of comedic roles, "but I would never have thought I would have ended up in a sitcom," she said. Comedy isn't "something I specifically pursued, but I'm grateful for it."

The sitcom king, Chuck Lorre, created and co-executive produces the show. His advice: "Be as authentic as possible and there you'll find the humor," she said.

Olowofoyeku attributes much of that authenticity, in terms of the "Nigerian aspect of things," to Gina Yashere, a British Nigerian comic who's one of the writers — another rarity for American TV.

"I think it's invaluable. I'm not quite sure how those intricacies would have been revealed without her. She thinks about things that would never even occur to me," Olowofoyeku said.

She also gives props to Gardell, a comedian who co-starred in another Lorre sitcom, "Mike & Molly."

"I just follow his lead," Olowofoyeku said.

The youngest of 18 to 20 children — "maybe more" — born to her father and his multiple wives, Olowofoyeku has lost both of her parents so will never know their reactions to "Bob Hearts Abishola," which uses the heart emoji rather than the word in its title. □

Hiss Golden Messenger delivers music with a purpose

By SCOTT STROUD

Associated Press

Hiss Golden Messenger, "Terms of Surrender" (Merge)

The new album by Hiss Golden Messenger is one to play on repeat, immersing in every nuance. It's Americana music with a purpose.

Like the North Carolina band's earlier work, "Terms of Surrender" is built around the talents of singer-songwriter frontman M.C. Taylor. The band's style has always been eclectic, a rangy, highly original mashup of folk, country, rock and

soul. That has made radio play somewhat elusive, though the band managed to attract a loyal following through six previous albums. Every song sounds sure-footed and driven, from a spirited celebration of teachers to a gently melodic birthday song for Taylor's daughter. The eclectic mix is still there, but the album holds together so much better, even as the pacing shifts between spirited jams and slow-your-roll balladry. Taylor's lyrics are less discernible than they used to be, delivered in service to the music. That feels

like another sign of confidence. In "I Need a Teacher," for example, a song inspired by recent teacher walkouts for better pay, the money line rises above the rest — "Beauty in the broken American moment" — more in artistic celebration than to win a political argument. The music is dynamic and original, the political currents understated.

That's true throughout "Terms of Surrender," which is as good as anything the band has ever done. It's easily one of the best Americana albums of 2019. □



This cover image released by Merge Records shows "Terms of Surrender" by Hiss Golden Messenger.

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City gardens, public produce stands ease 'food desert' woes

By **ANDREA SMITH**

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ATLANTA (AP) — On his way home, Darnell Eleby paused before boarding the commuter train in Atlanta's Five Points station and maneuvered his wheelchair to a stop not seen on many mass transit platforms: a fresh food stand stocked with colorful fruits and vegetables. Aided by a volunteer, he filled a basket with bananas, apples, corn and squash and paid with a health program voucher.

"It helps you out when you can't get to the store," Eleby said.

In Chicago, nonprofit groups have opened health clinics where staff provide patients with nutrition education and free coupons to area farmers markets replete with healthy foods. Both cities also have encouraged burgeoning efforts to plant urban gardens.

Large cities across the country are using this multi-pronged approach to bring healthy diets to "food deserts," mostly low-income neighborhoods located miles away from the nearest supermarket. They hope not only to reduce rates of diabetes, high blood pressure and obesity, but to encourage community activism and empowerment.

"We're doing this out of ... responsibility toward our community," Safia Rashid said of the garden she and her husband, Kamau Rashid, have tended on Chicago's South Side for



In this Friday, Aug. 9, 2019, photo, employees work at Growing Home, Inc.'s farm in Chicago's neighborhood of Englewood.

the past 14 years.

The 44-year-old mother said the couple began gardening when their oldest son was 3 years old, to fight "'food apartheid' ... folks deliberately disinvesting in this community, removing healthy food away from us," Safia Rashid said.

The Rashids' garden grows at the South Chicago Farm, a 14-acre (5.6-hectare) site developed in 2015. It's one of eight such farms in Chicago operated by the nonprofit Urban Growers Collective.

In Atlanta, many of the tomatoes, peaches and peppers found in bins at the Fresh MARTA Markets come from food grown in the city and nearby farms, said Hilary King, of the nonprofit Community Farmers Markets, which partners with

the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority to run the stands. Launched in 2015, the MARTA markets are located at different stations during the week.

"We cannot rely on traditional retail methods," said Atlanta urban agriculture director Mario Cambardella.

Nonprofits also have teamed up with ridesharing company Lyft to provide up to 300 low-income families with discounted rides to farmers markets and grocery stores in Atlanta. The six-month pilot program, called Access AgLanta, began June 1, inspired by a similar Lyft partnership in Washington, D.C.

"What we have often heard over the years is that transportation is a huge barrier to food access,"

said Alysa Moore, program manager for Georgia Fresh For Less, which provides state residents who receive food stamps with financial assistance to shop at farmers markets.

Eleby relies heavily on the transit platform markets. Without them, he said, he'd be forced to rely on a small scattering of stores in his low-income neighborhood in southwest Atlanta where he said he has to smell food or examine it for mold before buying it. The food there, he said, isn't "like it's supposed to be."

As of 2015, roughly 22% of Atlanta's population was living in a low-income community more than a mile from a food store, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

In Chicago, that number

is 5%. Comparatively, the number in Seattle is 7.8%; Washington, D.C., 6.4%; Baltimore, 4.3%; and Milwaukee, 3.5%, according to the USDA.

Christopher "Mad Dog" Thomas, 34, who grew up in the Altgeld Gardens neighborhood on Chicago's South Side, said he has suffered from "'food desert eating disorder,' where all you can afford to eat is candy."

Thomas and his wife, Kathryn Gatewood, make a weekly trip outside their neighborhood to a store called Pete's Supermarket, which Kathryn Gatewood describes as "the black or Hispanic Whole Foods."

"We spend almost 40% of our paychecks combined to ensure a healthier diet for our kids," she said, adding that it is a better alternative than buying bad food from the "dusty shelves" of corner stores in Englewood. The Chicago nonprofit Inner-City Muslim Action Network has launched "The Corner Store Campaign" to change that.

Sami Defalla, who runs the Morgan Mini Mart in Englewood, has been an active partner with the campaign for more than two years. Defalla has created a "green zone" in the store where shoppers can purchase inexpensive fresh fruits and vegetables.

"I wish I had a bigger platform to offer more ... to my customers," Deffala said.

The Muslim Action Network also operates a health clinic where patients can see a dietitian free of charge and receive coupons for free produce at the nearby farmers market. Every Friday, the group hosts a farmers market where residents can connect with local urban farmers.

As a volunteer in a community garden in Atlanta, Celeste Lomax is finally able to take fresh produce home to her low-income neighborhood, which is located about 4 miles (6.4 kilometers) away from the nearest supermarket.

"We have a right to eat healthy like everyone else does," she said. □



In this Tuesday, Aug. 20, 2019 photo, volunteer Xavier Lopez helps a customer select fruits and vegetables at the Fresh MARTA Market at the West End transit station in Atlanta.

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In this Friday, Aug. 9, 2019, photo, Maurice McCary, left, Stanford Williams, center and Torreyon Simmons, work at the Growing Home, Inc. farm in Chicago's Englewood neighborhood.

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